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LINE PUSHED FORWARD IN CHAMPAGNE; GAINS HELD IN THE VOSGES

**More Than 400 Metres of Trenches Taken
Between Perthes and Beausejour; On
Heights of Meuse Heavy Artillery Dam-
aged a 42-Centimetre Gun Just Put Into
Place by Germans; Attacks of Enemy at
Point North of Arras Repulsed.**

Paris, March 8.—The war office gave out the following statement to-day:

"There is nothing of importance in the Champagne section to add to yesterday's communication. Progress reported at different points is enhanced. At the end of the day we captured trenches to the northwest of Souain. The captured trenches between Perthes and Beausejour represent 400 to 500 metres. We captured a number of prisoners, including officers.

"In the region of the heights of the Meuse our heavy artillery, according to prisoners, seriously damaged a forty-two centimetre gun recently placed in position by the Germans. This gun had to be dismantled and sent to the rear for repairs. Four of the gun crew were killed and seven wounded.

"In Lorraine we progressed northwest of Badonviller.

"In the Vosges, at Reich Ackerkopf, the Germans made a violent counter-attack late Sunday afternoon. For the moment they were able to gain a footing on the ridge, but after a furious hand-to-hand fight our riflemen drove them back and finally remained masters of Reich Ackerkopf. The losses sustained by the enemy were extremely heavy.

"In Upper Alsace, southward of the railway station at Burnhaupt, an attack attempted against our advanced positions was dispersed by the fire of our infantry."

Paris, March 8.—The following official communication was issued last evening:

"To the north of Arras, at Notre Dame de Lorette, the Germans attempted a counter-attack which did not succeed. Subsequently they delivered three counter-attacks, which also failed.

"In Champagne, to the west of Perthes, we gained a footing in a very strongly fortified wood and captured prisoners to the north of the same village.

"We repulsed a counter-attack on the ridge to the northeast of Meunil. Ground was gained and we carried another trench to the north of Beausejour.

"In the Vosges we made progress on the flanks of the Reich Ackerkopf and took prisoners at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf. Here we repulsed five counter-attacks.

"Despite vigorous and well-planned attacks, the Germans were repulsed for the fourth time before a blockhouse in the Le Pretre wood."

Paris, March 8.—The following French official statement was issued here on Saturday night:

"In Belgium, in the dunes, our artillery has executed very effective firing on the heavy batteries of Westende. To the north of Arras, in the region of Notre Dame de Lorette, our counter-attacks have continued to progress. At this point the Germans, who employed large effectives, suffered a serious check.

"In Champagne, in the ravine to the northwest of Beausejour, a German counter-attack has been repulsed. Rain, which has fallen all day, has caused a slackening in the operations.

"In Alsace the progress made by us in the Vosges at the Hartmanns-Weilerkopf extends to 700 metres (about 325 yards) of German trenches. On the evening of the 5th instant we repulsed a counter-attack opposite Thillois and blew up an ammunition depot at Cernay. Last night we swept with our fire the enemy's advance post, who attempted to establish themselves on the Sillakerkopf, east of Ponnec."

LIBERAL CONVENTION IN CARLETON RIDING, N. B.

Woodstock, N. B., March 8.—To nominate a federal candidate for Carleton, a Liberal convention is called for March 22 at Andover. Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux and Dr. Michael Clarke, M. P. for Red Deer, are expected to speak. It is considered certain that F. B. Carvell, the present member, will be the Liberal nominee. Former Premier Flemming has already been nominated by the Conservatives.

600 WERE KILLED.

Boston, March 8.—Report of a railroad accident in Mexico last January, in which six hundred lives were lost, is contained in a letter received by the American board of commissioners for foreign missions from one of its representatives at Manzanillo, on the Mexican west coast.

ZAIMIS ASKED TO FORM NEW CABINET

Venizelos, Premier of Greece, and His Colleagues Resign; King Favors Neutrality

**WISHED TO SEND TROOPS
TO ASSIST THE ALLIES**

Greek Press Declares in Favor of Participation in War; Students Make Demonstration

Paris, March 8.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Athens says: "King Constantine has accepted the resignation of Premier Venizelos and his cabinet, and has requested M. Zaimis, governor of the national bank, to form a ministry. M. Zaimis asked the king to give him one day to consult with his friends.

London, March 8.—Special dispatches received from Athens by the morning newspapers express doubt whether M. Zaimis will be able to form a stable government for Greece. He is governor of the national bank of Greece and is not definitely attached to either party.

London, March 8.—A dispatch to Reuters from Athens says that M. Venizelos, speaking in the chamber of deputies, declared that he had advised King Constantine to send for M. Zaimis to form a new cabinet.

"M. Zaimis," the retiring premier added, "will follow the policy of neutrality, and I hope that this policy will not endanger our newly-acquired territory."

"Our party," M. Venizelos continued, "will refuse to support any government which may be formed. Besides, M. Zaimis, if he forms a cabinet, will not come before the chamber."

Reuters' correspondent, in another dispatch, says that a grand council of former Greek premiers, which was summoned by the king, met on Sunday afternoon. King Constantine presided. M. Venizelos and former Premier Dragoumis, Theotokis and Rallis and General Doumanis, chief of staff, also attended. M. Venizelos explained at length the policy which his government thought it necessary to pursue. M. Dragoumis and M. Rallis also spoke.

An immense crowd cheered M. Venizelos as he left the palace.

Athens, March 8.—The Journal Patria, which is regarded as a Venizelos organ, gives the following account of the crisis in Greece:

"During the second sitting of the crown council, Premier Venizelos proposed that only one division of troops should be sent to aid the allies against the Dardanelles, thus overcoming the objections raised previously by the military staff that, on military grounds, it was not in the country's interest to join the allies.

"Venizelos then pointed out the danger to which Greece was exposed by the threatening descent of the Austro-German forces on the Balkans, adding that since no guarantee had been offered by Austria or Germany that they would respect Greek interests, Greece was obliged to join the allies, who had given such a promise. He said he was convinced that, on the allies winning, not only would the present possessions of Greece be guaranteed, but that further interests would accrue. M. Theotokis, former premier and minister of

LA TOURAINE SAFE; HEADING FOR HAVRE

Announced That Fire on Steamship is "Practically Out;" Cruisers Escorting Her

Paris, March 8.—The French minister of marine announced to-day that the fire on La Touraine was "practically out." Word to this effect was received at midnight from one of the cruisers escorting her.

London, March 8.—The fire on board the French liner La Touraine has been almost extinguished and the vessel is steaming to her destination, the French port of Havre, at a speed of fourteen knots an hour.

The information here given is the latest report received in Paris; it was sent at 10 o'clock last night by wireless from a cruiser which is escorting La Touraine.

HON. N. C. CORMIER DEAD.

Quebec, March 8.—Hon. Napoleon Charles Cormier, merchant and member of the legislative council for Kennebec, passed away here this morning at the age of 75.

CRISIS IN GREECE; GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.



M. VENIZELIS
Premier who has retired from office.

GREEK ARMY OFFICERS ARE BEING RECALLED

Athens Newspapers Believe Participation in War Inevitable; a Turkish Threat

Geneva, March 8.—All the Greek army officers in Switzerland were recalled on Saturday. Other Greeks of a military age must present themselves at the offices of the consular-general in Geneva before March 11. The opinion is expressed by many here that there is to be a general mobilization of the Greek army.

Paris, March 8.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Athens says the newspapers there consider as certain the intervention of Greece in the European conflict. Several opinions are expressed with regard to the extent of Greece's co-operation with the allies.

Paris, March 8.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Athens says: "The Turkish minister, Salih Bey, has declared openly during the last few days that massacres would take place in Turkey if Greece broke with the Porte, while Count Mirbach, the German minister, informed the diplomatic corps that Austria and Germany would immediately declare war on Greece the day that Greece moved against Turkey."

SIDES OF CANAL WERE HEAPED WITH DEAD

Captain of Steamship Describes Ill-Fated Attempt of Turks to Cross Suez

Philadelphia, Pa., March 8.—A battle between French and British cruisers and a Turkish land force commanded by German officers, along the Suez canal, was described by Capt. Tulloch, of the British steamer Nanteric, which docked here to-day after a 65 days voyage from Calcutta. Capt. Tulloch, who was placed in command of the Nanteric after the steamer Tynaric had been captured by the German cruiser Emden and sunk in the Indian ocean, said the Nanteric reached the eastern entrance of the canal about February 1, but that upon arrival the vessel was not allowed to proceed because of the battle between the British and the Turks near Ismailia.

"The Turks," said Capt. Tulloch, "attempted to cross the canal, led by German officers, but were repulsed by the allies, who directed upon them the fire not only of field pieces, but big guns of several warships. Both sides of the canal were heaped with dead and many of the victims rolled into the water. The loss of life was very great and the Turks appeared to be demoralized.

"After several days' delay, the Nanteric was permitted to proceed to Port Said. Her exposed portions were protected by bags of sand.

"On the way the British auxiliary Harbinger, which was acting as a convoy, received a shot through a smokestack, but no other damage was done."

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NOTE FROM STATES IS STRONG IN TONE

Carranza is Advised to Improve Conditions at Mexico City

**AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
TAKING FIRMER STAND**

Is Losing Patience; Cruiser Tacoma Ordered to Vera Cruz

Washington, March 8.—New and urgent representations, amounting practically to a warning, have been sent by the United States to General Carranza, demanding an improvement of conditions in Mexico City.

Diplomatists familiar with the contents of the note which American Consul Stillman has been instructed to present to General Carranza interpret it as an entire change of policy on the part of the Washington government toward the Mexican situation.

The communication to Carranza, which was drafted after conferences between President Wilson, Secretary Bryan and Counselor of Lansing, was kept secret pending word from Carranza as to his attitude.

It is said by some officials that the note contains the strongest representations that ever have been made to Carranza and indicates that the American government is rapidly losing patience with his indifference to the objectionable acts of General Obregon at Mexico City.

Those who know the contents of the communication say it does not threaten force and is not in a nature of an ultimatum, but points out in explicit language the serious consequences that may follow if the welfare of foreigners continue to be disregarded.

Early in the day Secretary Daniels said no additions were contemplated to the fleet in Mexican waters, but later it was learned that the cruiser Tacoma had been ordered from Port Au Prince, Hayti, to Vera Cruz. Secretary Daniels was in consultation later with Secretary Bryan concerning the situation.

In diplomatic quarters there were more manifestations of concern over the Mexican situation than at any time since the American forces were landed at Vera Cruz.

The foreign diplomatists conferred and communicated to one another the latest developments as they heard them.

Some of the diplomatists declared themselves satisfied that the course of the American government would produce results. One of the ministers who had received a telegram saying the diplomatic corps in Mexico City had decided to leave, called his legation there saying that after learning what serious steps the American government had taken he advised the corps to remain in the city and await developments.

Just what move now is contemplated is known only to President Wilson and a few of his closest advisers.

The general impression in official quarters is that even though the use of force has not been threatened in the note to Carranza, the American government is prepared to meet eventually and will hereafter pursue an insistent course to compel protection for foreigners and their interests.

Secretary Bryan would say only that there was no change in conditions from the serious state of affairs of the last few days. Asked whether Carranza and Obregon were at odds, Secretary Bryan replied that the state department had evidence that Obregon recognized Carranza as his superior officer, but he could not say whether any friction had developed.

Germans Have Found Submarine Warfare a Costly Operation

London, March 8.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Amsterdam says:

"A correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt declares that since the beginning of the blockade seven British merchantmen have been sunk, but he admits that according to news received in Berlin from neutral sources more than seven German submarines have been sunk during the same period."

The German admiralty, the Exchange correspondent says, publishes no information concerning the loss of submarines.

HEAVY FIRING HEARD IN NORTH SEA TO-DAY

Amsterdam, March 8.—For the first time since Vice-Admiral Sir David Beatty engaged a German squadron in the North Sea, in the latter part of January, heavy gun fire, according to a dispatch from the Hook of Holland to the Telegraf, was heard in the North Sea to-day.

BIG BATTLE STARTS ON FRONT IN POLAND TO WEST OF WARSAW

**Left Bank of Vistula Scene of Vital Struggle
Between Russians and Germans; Czar's
Forces Continue Offensive on Left Bank
of Nieman; Heavy Snowstorms in Car-
pathians Stop Operations.**

London, March 8.—The centre of interest on the eastern front again has shifted with the announcement from Petrograd that a great battle is developing on the left bank of the river Vistula, at a point to the west and also southwest of Warsaw.

It is not yet clear, judging from messages reaching London, which side has taken the offensive, but inspired sources, both in Berlin and in Petrograd, have been hinting lately that vital operations might well be expected in the region. Messages from the Russian capital have declared that the old field of action in the region of Posen and Silesia alone could serve as the decisive battleground, while Berlin has been predicting another brilliant action in the direction of Warsaw by Field-Marshal von Hindenburg.

No great activity has been reported elsewhere on the eastern front except at Rawa, to the southwest of Warsaw, where German army headquarters claim the capture of 3,400 Russians. It is possible that this action may be a part of the great battle which Petrograd said is now under way.

Petrograd, March 8.—The Russian war office last evening made public the following official communication:

"Our offensive continues on the left bank of the Niemen and in the district northwest of Grodno. Our troops drove the Germans back behind the front of Sopotkin-Lypkovo, and then pushed on vigorously.

"In a similar manner, in the Miawa district, our attacks were crowned with success. We took about five hundred prisoners, including seven officers and also three machine guns.

"On the left bank of the Vistula, in the region of the Pilica, the fighting is assuming the character of a great battle."

"In the Carpathians, between the Ondava and San rivers, the Austrian attacks continue. Southwest of Lutovskovo, the enemy tried to cross to the right bank of the San, but in a counter-attack Saturday night, the Austrian units which had succeeded in crossing the river were annihilated."

London, March 7.—Extremely heavy snowstorms in the Carpathians have stopped military operations completely, even where the opposing lines are in close contact, says a Venice dispatch to Reuters. The Austro-Hungarian troops are reported to be suffering severely, many of them being without supplies because their lines of communication were cut off by the snow.

Russia has still another battle on her hands. While she is declared to be pressing her offensive in Northern Poland and Eastern Galicia and holding up the Austrians in the Carpathians, the Germans have launched an attack in the region of the Pilica river, near Warsaw, where a big battle is developing.

AUSTRIAN WARSHIPS RETURNED QUICKLY

Did Not Cover Themselves With Glory; High Hopes of Heir to Throne Disappointed

Rome, March 8.—An uncensored dispatch from Vienna says the heir to the Austrian throne inspected the forts and reviewed the fleet at Pola previous to a cruise of the Adriatic, which was expected to be a prelude to operations in the Aegean Sea. The ships sailed cleared for action and with provisions for two months. Colliers accompanied the fleet.

The heir to the throne made a speech in the emperor's name, in which he said he expected the fleet to return covered with glory. However, the fleet got only as far as the lower Adriatic, where it sighted the Anglo-French warships. Then it returned to Pola at full speed.

BULGARIAN PREMIER WILL MAKE STATEMENT

London, March 8.—The Sofia, Bulgaria, correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the Bulgarian premier has promised to make a definite statement regarding the government position and policy to parliament in secret session. This states the correspondent, is in reply to a question by the opposition regarding "the attitude of the government, in view of the decisive move of Britain in the Dardanelles."

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RUSSIAN SUCCESSES IN NORTHERN POLAND

Germans Driven Back at Several Points; Attacks With Carpathians Repulsed

Petrograd, March 6.—The following official communication was issued on Saturday:

"On the left bank of the Niemen the Germans have been driven back behind the railway station at Simno, and also in the district of Lepoway (near Suwalki). The distribution of troops on the right bank of the Narew shows no essential changes.

"On the road in the direction of Lomza obstinate fighting continues. On Friday night we dislodged the enemy from a commanding height on the west side of the high road from Stawiski to Lomza. Near the village of Karwowe we captured seven machine guns.

"On the left bank of the Vistula, in the Pilica River district, the Germans opened an attack on a limited section of our positions at the village of Domanevka.

"In the Carpathians the Austrians continue their futile attacks in the direction of Bialgorod.

"In Eastern Galicia we are continuing the offensive, after having driven the Austrians from their fortified positions on the River Bistrica, where we captured one hundred prisoners."

The following official communication was issued on Saturday evening:

"The garrison at Przemyśl no longer is attempting sorties, but the fortress artillery is developing great activity and firing an enormous quantity of heavy shells. The fire, however, is quite harmless. A thousand heavy shells from the fortress have only wounded one man.

"The Austrians are directing a particularly violent fire against our aeroplanes, which fly over the fortress almost daily. We brought down, on March 5, a German aeroplane at the station of Sokolka and captured the aviator.

"As the Germans require Russian prisoners from whom they may obtain information concerning the location of our forces on the left bank of the Vistula, they are offering a reward of 100 marks (\$25) for each Russian soldier captured. On March 5 we captured a German lieutenant with a party of volunteers who were out seeking Russian prisoners."

INDIAN RELIEF FUND TOTALS \$5,000,000

Many Large Contributions to Assist With Prosecution of the War

London, March 6.—A special dispatch from Delhi indicates that enthusiasm for the successful outcome of the war continues unabated. The Indian relief fund has now reached a total of \$5,000,000. The largest sum previously raised in India was \$1,500,000, contributed in 1900 for relief of the acute famine of that year.

The chiefs and noblemen of India continue to present valuable gifts of every description for the prosecution of the war. Last month's donations included \$5,100 annually from the Maharajah of Datta and his sirdars; from another native potentate, \$3,100; from the Nizam of Hyderabad, a hospital of fifty beds. Motor ambulances were given by another, and fifty camels came from another, while from others there were contributions of large quantities of hay and blankets. One loyal rajah announced that he will pay his soldiers from the revenues of his estate.

STEAMSHIP TORPEDOED WAS FLYING NO FLAG

Captain of Ryndam Says He Saw the Vessel Settling as His Ship Steamed Away.

New York, March 8.—The attack of a submarine, silent, unheralded and unexpected, upon a big merchant ship that flew no flag was witnessed from the bridge of the Dutch liner Ryndam in the North Sea, about thirty miles from the British coast, according to Capt. Van de Huel, of the Ryndam, which has reached here from Rotterdam. The attack took place on February 24 and the stricken vessel was slowly settling to the bottom at the Ryndam steamed away.

"We heard a muffled explosion," said the Ryndam's captain, "and when a great white cloud of steam and smoke was rising from the ship. She had been struck amidships. We stopped and prepared to lower our boats. As we swung out the davits we saw the merchantman lower her own boats and some of her crew go over the side. Then came the vessel's wireless call for help. In ten minutes or thereabouts, a British destroyer steamed up and began searching for the submarine.

"The destroyer signalled that no assistance was needed and advised us to proceed cautiously, which we did."

1,035,326 ATTENDED FAIR IN TWO WEEKS

San Francisco, March 8.—The total attendance at the Panama-Pacific exposition for the first two weeks, ending on Friday night last, is officially announced as 1,035,326. The first week's attendance was 620,000, the second, 415,326.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

Ottawa, March 8.—Western appointments just gazetted include the following: Capt. Harvey Coppe, of Vancouver, to be pilot commissioner for the pilotage division of Vancouver, to succeed R. H. Alexander, deceased; John Anderson, of Saskatoon, to be deputy collector of inland revenue at Saskatoon, to succeed D. N. Macgregor. Preliminary and qualifying examinations for the outside division of the civil service will be held on May 12 and 13 at Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Nelson, Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, Brandon, Winnipeg, Port Arthur and a number of points in the east.

WILL HOLD CONFERENCE.

London, March 8.—The financial position as it affects the Overseas Dominions will be discussed shortly at a conference convened by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Lloyd George, who will meet the high commissioners and agents-general of the various Dominions.

GUILTY OF MURDER.

Seattle, March 8.—Serafino Villafior, a Filipino, was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury in the superior court on Saturday for murdering Quong Chew, a wealthy Chinese, who was lured to a Japanese hotel and beaten to death with a scrubbing brush.

ASK UNITED STATES TO ACT.

Washington, March 8.—Germany has asked the United States to care for its diplomatic interests in Constantinople should the allied forces occupy the capital of Turkey. Ambassador Morgenthau has been instructed to assume that duty when the German minister to Turkey leaves with the Ottoman government for Eskichehir, the newly-selected temporary capital.

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BIG AUDIENCE HEARS MR. BREWSTER SPEAK

At Port Haney Liberal Leader Lays Bare Government's Failure in Handling Lands

M. A. MACDONALD AND
A. THOMPSON ALSO HEARD

Vancouver, March 8.—"I do say to you in all sincerity, that I believe the maladministration of the lands of the province is an immoral act," declared H. C. Brewster, before a crowded gathering of Port Haney electors on Saturday night. "In other words, let me say that when you deprive a man of the right which the Almighty designed that he should have of making the earth productive, of creating for himself a home in which to shelter a wife and family—when you deprive a man, I say, of that right, then you create a condition which causes those who should be thus happily situated to flock to the cities, to congest in the slums of those cities, to come in keen competition with the labor there, and in that manner bring about a condition out of which the greatest immorality arises.

"But, you say, we have an agricultural bill now before the legislature and it will be of benefit to the farming population of this province. Yes, we have an agricultural bill before the legislature, and it is the outcome of a report by the agricultural commission which has cost this province not less than seventy, or possibly eighty thousand dollars, and for which, I ask you, have you received your money's worth?

"Now, we are told that this agricultural bill is not to become law until such time as it may be proclaimed by order-in-council. In other words, while I do not think you received your money's worth from that commission, it is quite evident that the government intends to use its reports in such a manner as to reap political benefit from it and hold it as a bait before the electorate. If it is a good bill, and in the interests of the farmers and for the benefit of British Columbia, why does it not become law?

"Oh, but Sir Richard says, it is impossible at the present time owing to the financial crisis which is upon us, to raise sufficient money to put it into effect.

"Yet, I would call your attention," said the speaker, "to the fact that by the budget which is brought into the house an expenditure of more than four millions over the estimated income is to be made this year on other works not nearly so important as the agricultural act. It appears, however, that this government cannot even get a land bill before the people without playing politics with it. How absurd it is, however, to expect the government that passes legislation in favor of the speculator, making it easy for him to hold the lands he obtained by fraudulent means, to expect them really to take an interest in a true land settlement policy."

Speaking of the colony farm episode, Mr. Brewster said he had had no opportunity to see any statement from the minister of finance as to his purchases, and so would not criticize too severely, for perhaps it was as some people suggested, only an evidence of the kind-heartedness of the minister of agriculture when he took pity on that poor animal, "Meta Clothilda P." which was sore stricken with age and in a debilitated condition and could not stand the humid atmosphere of the coast, and bought the animal which had cost the colony farm well in excess of \$400 for the sum of \$75, so that she could be taken to the more invigorating, higher altitudes of the Okanagan, where she could inhale the ozone-laden breezes from the lake and in peace and happiness end her days in fields of plenty.

"No doubt, I say, it was but the desire of a kindly heart to show such solicitude for the dumb brutes of the colony farm and, therefore, it would never have done to open the sale to public competition for fear some heartless farmer in Dewdney might have secured some of these animals and their old age would not have passed so peacefully.

"The land question, the Dominion Trust, Ellison's cows, Indian reserve commissions, junketing royal commissions—are they not all tainted with the same taint of dishonesty and lack of sincerity on the part of the administration? Are they not supported in this by the member you sent to Victoria? Can you not see your responsibility in this matter? Is it not time that, for the good name of your province, the building up and establishing on a permanent basis a prosperity that will extend through your years and on to your children, you considered your responsibility and put in charge of your affairs a government that will make for purity, peace and prosperity in this Canada's greatest province?

M. A. Macdonald spoke for an hour, and was listened to with the closest attention as he reviewed the record of the government. "The difficulty," he declared, "is to find any subject either of legislation or policy on which even a reasonable argument can be advanced in favor of the course followed by the government. There is only one issue, viz.: the people against a political organization which is rapidly falling to pieces."

The meeting was one of the most successful ever held in Port Haney. The hall was crowded with an attentive audience largely composed of men who supported the McBride government in the past, and at the interest with which the speakers' remarks were followed and the enthusiasm displayed

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Ottawa, March 8.—The department of trade and commerce has completed an estimate of the wheat now in Canada and the country's requirements until the next crop.

On February 8 there was 79,130,593 bushels of wheat in Canada, of which \$7,047,700 was in elevators and mills, 12,571,876 in transit in cars and 25,554,000 in the hands of the farmers. Seed requirements amount to 19,250,000 bushels, and food requirements until the next crop 25,000,000 bushels, leaving for export 34,880,576 bushels.

Since that date there has been imported 36,370 bushels and exported 6,741,900 bushels, leaving now for export about 28,175,000 bushels in round figures.

WAS DROWNED.

Vancouver, B. C., March 8.—The provincial police have been notified that Mrs. I. J. Evans, wife of an official of the Pacific Coast Coal company at South Wellington, was drowned on Friday. The scene of the fatality was near Mary Island, the entrance to Welcome pass, near Sechart. The body was recovered.

DIED SUDDENLY.

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PROROGATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Members Bid Good-Bye to Labors; Some Take Farewell of Chamber

With the strains of the national anthem, including the second stanza which may be considered as appropriate at the present moment when the empire is at war, the third and last session of the thirteenth legislature of British Columbia was brought to a close on Saturday evening.

It was made rather a gala occasion by the members appearing in evening dress, with the exception of Captain W. W. Foster, who wore the service uniform of the Canadian Mounted Rifles. There was a fair attendance of the public in the galleries at half-past nine o'clock, when his honor the lieutenant-governor entered and the simple ceremonies of prorogation took place.

Previous to this, when the house had assembled, the premier made a couple of announcements. The first was in reference to the workmen's compensation bill, which the attorney-general had introduced at the afternoon sitting. Sir Richard stated that it is the intention of the government next session to proceed with that legislation and place it upon the statute-books.

The other announcement was as to the request of some districts in the interior, where irrigation is necessary and where there is some doubt of the ability of irrigation companies to furnish much-needed water during the coming season, that the government should extend aid to some of these companies so as to insure the performance of their functions.

Assent Withheld.

There was a surprise for the house when it came to the giving of the royal assent to the bills that have passed during the session. This was the withholding of assent to the act amending the Pool Rooms Act. There is no doubt that the reason for this is the fact that by one section of the bill the issue of licenses is restricted to those of the Caucasian race, and the especial point of objection is its application to Japanese, many of whom are owners of pool rooms here and in Vancouver.

What apparently had happened is that the Japanese consul on the coast has taken the matter up with the consul-general in Ottawa, and that the latter has drawn the attention of the state department there to what was intended by the British Columbia government. A hint of the attitude of the federal government made to his honor would be all that would be required for the holding up of the bill "until his majesty's pleasure shall be known," as parliamentary phraseology has it. While this action is taken a similar section is in the Liquor License Act.

The list of bills read by the clerk of the house, Thornton Fell, K. C., was a lengthy one, and the royal assent was announced to the following:

Mr. Speaker Eberts presented the supply bill, and the customary acceptance of the benevolence of his majesty's royal subjects and assent to the bill was notified by the clerk of the house on his honor's command.

Prorogation Speech.

His honor then prorogued the assembly with the following speech from the throne:

"Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the legislative assembly:

"It affords me pleasure, in relieving you from your legislative duties, to give expression to my appreciation of the zeal and care you have displayed in dealing with the various matters that have engaged your attention during the present session.

"Among the important measures with which you have dealt, the agricultural credits act should inure to the general production of the means of life throughout the province, and materially assist in furthering settlement upon the land.

"The act conferring certain powers upon the lieutenant-governor in council respecting contracts relating to land should prevent undue pressure being exercised upon those who have unavoidably suffered through the financial stress occasioned by world-wide conditions attendant upon the situation in Europe.

"By the amendment to the Constitution Act, five additional members are added to your numbers and adequate representation given to sections of the province whose growth has been so gratifying of late years, while the boundaries of various constituencies are rectified.

"The appropriations for public works are most liberal in existing circumstances, and are calculated to meet the demands of the time.

"Since you have assembled, the gallant soldiers who responded from this province to the call of arms have already received their baptism of fire in the mighty struggle in which Canada, as one of the component parts of the empire, has become involved. The outcome of that struggle we face with confidence and fortitude and with a supreme faith in the justice of our cause.

"I thank you for the adequate provision you have made for the necessary expenditures in assisting the general needs of the province, and I sincerely trust that the efforts you have put forth during the session now closed will result in the continued progress and prosperity of all parts of British Columbia."

Upon the withdrawal of Hon. Mr. Barnard the speaker resumed the chair, the mace was laid upon the table and the prorogation of the session was announced by the provincial secretary, Hon. Dr. Young. As soon as Sergeant-at-Arms C. J. Cullen had taken up the mace the speaker started the anthem, and everyone joined in it.

The sitting of the house for business on Saturday began at eleven o'clock and lasted until after three. Following the explanation of Hon. Price Ellison and the discussion of the resolution of censure on the government by J. T. Place, dealing with the attitude of the government on the Dominion Trust affair, reported in these columns on Saturday, a number of bills were given the final touches. Four of these were bills that had been brought down by the attorney-general in the early morning hours of Saturday, forming an attempt to enact some labor legislation based on the report of the labor commission on which an appeal could be made to the workingmen in the coming election.

Mr. Bowser explained his bill to amend the Truck act as being designed to make it illegal for employers to discriminate against workmen, either in the way of employing or dismissing them, merely on account of their being members of a labor union or acting in any capacity on behalf of a union.

Parker Williams declared the amendment to be ineffectual, as an employer could readily allege some other reason as his real one for any action he took. The attorney-general, he said, at the end of a nine-year term of office, with an election in sight, was trying to demonstrate by these bills his interest in labor.

The speaker took the view that the hon. gentleman was not confining himself to the bill and advised him to address himself to the principle of the bill.

"The principle of the bill is the desire of the attorney-general to show his interest in labor at this stage of the session," Mr. Williams retorted. "I am satisfied as to the type of character he displays toward labor, and I take it you, back in your heart, Mr. Speaker, do too."

The bill struck a snag at this point, by the moving of the adjournment of the debate by H. F. W. Behnen. This seemed to surprise the attorney-general, but the speaker was equal to the occasion, and as no one else wanted to speak on the second reading he declared that stage carried.

In committee the bill was read and Mr. Behnen, who is popularly understood not to be likely to be a candidate again in this city, and therefore has no fear of any opposition from any class of voters, moved that the committee rise. The result of this would be effectually to kill the bill. When the question was put on that question it was carried, there being only four votes against rising without reporting the bill as carried in committee, these being Messrs. Bowser, Williams, Place and Fraser (Cariboo).

In reporting the action of the committee to the speaker the chairman, J. P. Shaw (Kamloops) stated that it had risen to report progress and asked leave to sit again. This permission was given for the next sitting, which would have been that of the evening for prorogation, so that the bill was killed anyway.

A bill to provide for the appointment by the government of commissioners to carry out street lighting in any rural districts which are within an unorganized portion of the province was put through.

The attorney-general introduced a bill to provide for compensation to workmen for injuries sustained and industrial diseases contracted in the course of their employment. He did not say so, but it was quite apparent that there was no intention of going on with the bill.

Parker Williams asked what chances there were for getting returns he had asked for in regard to the amount overdue on sales from purchasers of land, and in regard to the questions

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put to government agents by the agricultural commission. The premier stated that these would involve so much work that they could not be ready in time.

WILL BE ENLARGED.

London, March 8.—A Shanghai dispatch to Reuters says an agreement has virtually been arranged between

the municipality and the Chinese government whereby the boundaries of the international settlement will be extended to include nearly the entire Chapai district.



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PROVINCIAL ELECTION.

The Premier's excuse for an appeal to the country at this time, as announced through the morning paper, is the necessity for consulting the electorate in regard to the government's policy in the situation arising from the war. This is pathetically lame, lammer even than some of the cattle the Minister of Agriculture says he bought from the Essondale Colony Farm. In every other dominion and province in the empire the war situation is urged as the one great impelling reason why there should not be an election at this juncture.

What are the questions arising from the war upon which the Premier desires to consult the electors? One of them is the agricultural policy as embodied in the bill rushed to the statute books in the last few days of the session. The act has a string on it. It is not to go into force until such time as our ancient friend, the lieutenant-governor-in-council, in other words, the cabinet, "specifies by proclamation." But this question has not arisen from the war. It is twelve years old to our knowledge. The commission upon whose report the measure is based was appointed more than a year and a half ago and two of its members toured the world long before the war was dreamed of. The province paid out some \$40,000 to that commission during the year, which ended March, 1914, and there was no sign of war then. Besides, would Sir Richard have us assume that had there been no war there would have been no agricultural policy of his government?

The other big question, also arising from the war, we suppose, is that of railway construction. The Premier wants the people to say if they desire the Canadian Northern Pacific and Pacific Great Eastern roads to be finished. We feel that we are not too venturesome in assuming that when the electors of British Columbia sanctioned the agreements between the province and those companies in 1909 and 1912 they expected that both roads would be completed. They did not risk a liability of \$3,500,000 in annual interest charges for amusement purposes only. Why, then, should they be consulted again? There can be only one answer to this query, and that is that those companies, already generously assisted by this province, want more aid, and if, through the manipulation of its machine, the government regains power, it will proceed at once to grant that aid, thereby increasing the enormous liability the country must meet as surely as the sun shines. In several forms it is meeting that liability now. This is the mandate Sir Richard looks for, the mandate to add to the gigantic burden of railway construction costs to the province. If the people of British Columbia have profited by their experience of the last four or five years they will turn their backs upon the sickening importunities of the multi-millionaire proprietors of a railroad admitted by themselves to the Ottawa government to be bankrupt. But, aside from these considerations, it is news to most people that the incomplete state of our railroads is due to the war.

Sir Richard's excuse is not complimentary to the intelligence of the people. He has imposed upon their credulity so often that he imagines that anything he says is swallowed in one gulp, as the Berlin public swallow a fanciful Potsdam bulletin. Having fooled the electors to the top of their bent, Sir Richard is trying to fool them once again in order that he and his government may inflict a continuation of their maladministration upon the province for five more long years. If the Premier had been frank and candid with the public he would have said that he and his colleagues considered an election at this time to be politically expedient. The people were beginning to find them out and further delay

might be fatal. The Dominion Trust case was coming before the courts and nobody knew where it might end. Scandals, too, were beginning to expose themselves, and the political atmosphere was becoming uncomfortably sultry throughout the country. These, and the desire to obtain a mandate from the people to grant more largesse to the railroad subsidy hunters, are the real reasons for the government's action in plunging the province into political turmoil at this inopportune moment.

CRISIS IN GREECE.

The first momentous political result of the allies' onslaught upon the Dardanelles is the ministerial crisis in Greece. M. Venizelos, the prime minister, who strongly urged intervention, has resigned owing to the refusal of King Constantine to agree to a departure from the policy of neutrality announced early in the war. Whether it will be possible to form a stable ministry is a subject which is provoking considerable speculation in London and Paris. Public sentiment in Greece is strongly for war. It is felt that never again will the Hellenic kingdom have such an opportunity of furthering its aspirations at the expense of the hated Turk. Although Greece gouged considerable pieces out of the Ottoman empire in the last Balkan war, her programme of territorial aggrandizement will not be complete until she has stripped Turkey of some of the Aegean Islands over which the crescent still waves. Venizelos no doubt feels that unless Greece intervenes before the Ottoman collapse the Turkish empire will be replaced by the tricolor and Union Jack on the choicest fractions of that archipelago.

Venizelos is the most outstanding statesman of the Balkan states. It was he who effected the confederacy which threw down the sultanet to Turkey in 1912. With unerring prescience he foresaw the disruption of Ottoman power and made it possible for those small states upon which the Turk had preyed for centuries to regain much of the country that had been stolen from them. It would have been dangerous for any other monarch than King Constantine to run counter to the advice of the man who had so much to do with Grecian policy in the last few years, but the exploits of the ruler in the wars against Turkey and Bulgaria gave him immense prestige among his people, whom he probably will be able to hold in check for some time. Ultimately, however, it will be impossible for all the present neutral states of the Balkan peninsula to keep out of the war. Bulgaria, which has been flirting with Austria and Germany even to the extent of borrowing money from them, is preparing to seize Adrianople immediately the allies force the Dardanelles. In this she will receive no opposition from the allies. Her preoccupation in that quarter will afford Roumania an opportunity to snatch at Transylvania without the fear of Bulgaria jumping on her back. In that event Greece could not remain neutral any longer.

While the entrance of Italy and the Balkan states into the war would bring it to a swift conclusion, there is good ground for the hope that they will keep out of it. With other powers engaged German militarists would claim that while against Britain, France and Russia they would have won they could not be expected to beat the whole of Europe. They would sue for peace, therefore, but would justify from the situation a continuation of the system which has become such a curse to the world. It would be better for future peace if Germany, Austria and Turkey were decisively beaten by the three powers they fatuously thought they could crush.

MR. ELLISON'S DEFENCE.

The crux of the defence of the Minister of Finance and Agriculture in connection with his purchases of cattle at the Essondale Colony Farm was that he had been the victim of misplaced confidence in the official in charge of the establishment, who unloaded on him defective stock upon which he lost money. The deal was negotiated in the office of his colleague, the Provincial Secretary, who is the minister in charge of the affairs of the farm, and he insists it was conducted like any other transaction in cattle. When he returned to his ranch at Vernon Mr. Ellison found that the old cow danager, Meta Clothilde, and her aristocratically named sisters, were worthless, while he was grievously disappointed in a stallion the farm management had sold to him.

The Minister of Finance and Agriculture apparently is unable to appreciate the anomalous situation in which he is placed. The fact that the subordinates of his colleague got the better of him in a cattle deal does not mitigate his main difficulty. He did not know that when he made the purchase, the chief irregularity lay in the private trafficking between the minister and the government of which he is a prominent member.

It was owing to the fact that he was a minister that he was able to engage in a transaction in the office of his colleague. When Mr. Ellison closed the deal no doubt he thought he

was getting a bargain, and we cannot see that any extenuation lies in the subsequent discovery that Meta Clothilde, Roxie of Elmwood, Axis Pouch de Kol and Rosa de Kol Fayne were just a quartette of antique impostors with nothing but an aristocratic lineage. If Mr. Ellison in paying \$300 for cows that cost the province \$1,200 lost money, the fact does not affect the principle he violated, although it does reflect upon the acumen of the minister through whose hands, to use his own words, "millions of the people's money" have passed.

It is absurd for him to describe the charges made on an official return as trumped-up, "common and paltry." The principle involved is by no means common or paltry. Are we to assume that it is quite proper for ministers to engage in private transactions with one another's departments in which their personal interests are concerned? In that case it would be competent for members of the cabinet to acquire by private purchase from the Minister of Lands timber limits or sections of land with the desirability and advantages of which they became conversant through the positions they occupied.

Incidentally, if we accept Mr. Ellison's assertion that he lost money on the cattle transaction, we must be impressed with the commercial genius exhibited by the management of the Colony Farm. It is a pity these officials are not able to buy with the skill they have shown in selling. In how many other departments, we wonder, is the business of the country conducted on the basis disclosed in this case?

Work on the former Songhees reserve has been commenced by the government on the eve of an election. But the construction of the promised union station that was to accommodate unbroken overland trains has not been begun. Nor have we heard anything about the magnificent ferries that were to convey passenger, mail, express and freight cars to that splendid structure. Possibly we shall have a new "undertaking" that the trains will be transported across the gulf from Englishman's Bluff on Zeppelin airships! Sir Richard is proceeding on the principle that "you can fool all the people all the time."

The Attorney-General also attributes the hard times to the war. If it were not for the war Canada would not be filling supplies contracts which must now total something like one hundred million dollars. The next thing we know the Attorney-General will be declaring that the Dominion Trust, which, according to the provisional liquidator, had been bankrupt for two years, would not have collapsed had there been no war.

The attack on the Dardanelles appears to have precipitated crises in several places. Greece, Bulgaria and Italy are seething with excitement because of a belief that the time has arrived for their intervention in the war. Roumania may be heard from at any moment. They are all eager to help to pick the bones of Turkey.

Germany is threatening to declare war upon Greece. It is about seven months since the Kaiser issued a declaration of war. Why not wait a little and give Austria or the Sublime Porte a chance?

Considering the conditions in British Columbia to-day and remembering Sir Richard's broken promises, unredempted pledges and unfulfilled "undertakings," can there be any doubt that it is time to change?

Announced that Sir Richard is going to reconstruct his government. But a new government is what the province really needs.

PEACE SUGGESTIONS.

Berkeley, Cal., March 5.—The Hague peace convention is useless to prevent war, declared August Schwan, former chamberlain to the King of Sweden, and lecturer for the Carnegie foundation, in an address to the students of the University of California today. "All nations should disarm and a supreme world court of one judge for every 5,000,000 of population, not more than ten from any one country, should be established to rule upon every question arising among nations. With it an international police force, including a navy, should be maintained," he said.

ZAIMIS ASKED TO FORM NEW CABINET

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war, answered: "I formerly advocated a pro-German policy, but now recognize that such a policy seems obsolete and against public opinion."
"M. Thallis, a former premier, then addressed the king as follows:—
"Your majesty knows well that I am an opponent of M. Venizelos. On this occasion, however, I am fully of his opinion, and heartily congratulate him on the policy he wishes the country to pursue."
"M. Venizelos further stated his belief that Bulgaria was ready to join the allies in an attack on Constantinople. The king, nevertheless, announced that, taking into consideration the present international position, he considered it

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not to the country's interest to abandon neutrality. Therefore he accepted the cabinet's resignation."

London, March 8.—The Exchange Telegraph company's Athens correspondent says that the university students in the Greek capital made a demonstration to-day in favor of immediate action by Greece. The legations of the Triple Entente powers were visited by the students and cheered.

The same correspondent says that the Greek press, in its comment on the operations against the Dardanelles, has declared itself in favor of Greece's participation in the war, taking the ground that no breaking up of the Ottoman empire should be permitted to take place without the collaboration of the Hellenic troops.

Paris, March 8.—The crisis in Greece is commented upon extensively to-day by the principal Paris papers, although the announcement concerning the situation was received here late. "What will Greece do?" naturally is the principal question asked, and there is much speculation as to her probable plans. Some of the papers declare that the crisis exceeds in proportion the mere change in ministry.

Amsterdam, March 8.—A dispatch received here from Constantinople says the Porte has agreed to the appointment of Dr. Streit as Greek minister to Turkey in place of M. Panas, who left Constantinople owing to the incident which arose over the insult offered the Greek naval attaché by a Turkish police official. Dr. Streit was formerly Greek minister of foreign affairs.

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American Society Meets.—The American society will meet this evening at the Knights of Columbus hall, 724 Fort street.

Young People's Rally.—On Wednesday evening, March 10, a rally of unusual interest to young people will be held in the Metropolitan church, when Karl Lehman will give an address.

Held Monthly Meeting.—The regular monthly meeting of the Frances Willard union, W. C. T. U. will be held Tuesday at 3 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. W. C. Hemmelford, 1915 Prior street.

Camp Fire.—Early on Saturday morning the mess house and kitchen at the Fifth Regiment camp, at Macaulay Plains, was destroyed by fire. The buildings were temporary structures, but a piano, and a quantity of food was destroyed.

Fusiliers' Band.—A big audience attended the usual Sunday evening concert at Pantages theatre last evening, the 8th Fusiliers' band contributing the opening number, "Friendship's Strength," by F. G. Strong, a composer who later played two of his own compositions for the piano. The number proved among the favorite selections played by the band during the evening, a note on the programme stating that it was dedicated to Thos. Llewellyn Davies, Esq., R. C. G. A. Other good numbers by the band were the pot-pourri of plantation songs, "Reminiscence of the South," and "Meditation" (Morrison). Mr. Strong's pianoforte selections were his own "Prelude in A Flat Major," and "Polonaise in C Sharp Minor," both of which showed originality and were played brilliantly. Mrs. R. W. Hudson sang "Sunshine and Rain" in a manner which delighted, and, in duet with Mr. Hudson, "Great Diviner Light," which proved very pleasing. Walter Charles made an excellent accompanist.

Ladies' Aid Tea.—The Ladies' Aid of the James Bay Methodist church are giving a Shamrock tea at the residence of Mrs. J. Patrick, 425 Michigan street, on Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock for the benefit of the church.

Anniversary and Concert.—The Ladies' Aid of the Hampshire Road Methodist church, are giving a concert in connection with the Sunday school anniversary on Wednesday evening, March 10, at 8 o'clock, at the church, corner Cranmore and Hampshire roads. An excellent programme has been arranged and refreshments will be served.

Presentation.—After the prorogation of the house on Saturday evening the members of the press gallery invited the sergeant-at-arms, Charles L. Cullin, into the gallery room, where the presentation of a piece of cut glass was made to him on behalf of the gallery by George S. B. Perry, vice-president. In doing so Mr. Perry referred to the many kindnesses the men of the gallery were indebted to the sergeant-at-arms, and extended their felicitations on his recent marriage. Mr. Cullin thanked the gallery on behalf of Mrs. Cullin and himself.

Mill Opens Temporarily.—In order to dispose of its present stock of uncut timber while it is still in good condition, the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber company to-day resumed operations temporarily. J. H. Moore, vice-president of the company, stated that there were about a million feet of logs on hand which must be cut immediately if they were not to become worm-eaten. A linked crew in engaged. Mr. Moore did not feel justified in predicting a continuation of the operations of the plant after the logs now on hand had been cut. The excessive transportation rates was a bar to exportation, and the local demand for lumber was limited.

Christian Endeavor Union.—The monthly meeting of the C. E. executive will be held in the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday, March 9, at 8 p.m. In addition to the business of the union a most interesting part of the evening's programme will be an address by R. J. C. Smith, who will speak on the subject, "How to Increase the Attendance at Your Weekly Meetings." Mr. Smith is the right man to give us this information as he belongs to one of the most successful societies in the city. All presidents and representatives are urged to be present, and a special invitation is extended to the chairman of each lookout or membership committee to attend.

Visit Museum.—On Saturday afternoon the galleries of the provincial museum were thronged with young people and their friends. The following members of the Natural History society explained the way of our birds and local marine life: Colonel and Mrs. McIlreath, Messrs. A. S. Barton, F. Kermode, W. F. Best and Jeffrey Cunningham. It is hoped that each principal of the schools will be able to take parties of boys and girls to the museum from time to time. Any school pupils over twelve, and in the intermediate or higher grades, are eligible for membership of the junior society. Each principal is asked to appoint a school secretary, and to forward the name and address to John W. Lethaby, P. O. box 555.

Esquimalt Friendly Help.—At the regular monthly meeting of the Esquimalt Friendly Help society held on Friday at the Soldiers' and Sailors' home, Mrs. Croft in the chair, reports for the month showed that about 25 families had received help during the month. Special thanks were expressed to all those who so promptly assisted the family who lost everything in a fire earlier in the week, and donations from the following were gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Hebdon, Grenville street, clothing; officers' mess, navy yard, groceries; Mrs. Croft, cash and groceries; Mrs. James Dunsmuir, cash; Mrs. T. W. Allen, clothing and food; Mrs. H. F. Bishop, clothing and groceries; Mrs. Raymond, clothing and food; Mrs. Gould, clothing and food; Mrs. Meyers, clothing and cash; a friend, complete outfit for family; J. H. S. Heincken, cash; Mrs. F. H. Bullen, cash; Mrs. Scott Whitney, cash; a friend, mattress, shawls and quilts; and other anonymous friends, clothing, etc.

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H. M. S. Acorn, Captain Pollard, will leave Esquimalt next week on a ten-days' cruise. She will visit Alberni.

The stern-wheel steamer to be built for the Bon Accord and Sea Island canneries will be constructed in Victoria, Messrs. Clark and Watson of this city having secured the contract.

The bakery on Fort street, established by Nesbitt and Dickson, was to-day sold by auction by George Brynes for \$3,600.

Adv't.—The sum of \$50 award will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person placing stones or other obstructions on the track of the electric tramway company.

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Held Review.—Ladies of the Macabees, Victoria Hive, No. 1, will hold their review on Tuesday in the Knights of Columbus hall, Fort street. All members are requested to attend.

English Mail.—Nine bags of letter mail; 43 baskets of parcel post; and 139 baskets of newspapers arrived to-day from the British Isles, having left the old country on February 17.

Sanich By-election.—It is understood that F. G. White, who contested the by-election in January for the Sanich school board, will be nominated on Wednesday for the impending election. Ex-Chairman Percy James is already in the field, and at the meeting of the Colquitz hall of the Ward IV. Sanich Ratepayers' association it is expected a candidate will be selected this evening.

Fifth Regiment Band.—The Fifth Regiment band held their seventeenth concert of the season last evening before a well-filled house. Several of the numbers were greatly appreciated, notably the cornet solo, "The Rosary," played by Bandmaster W. J. Smith, with "Killarney" as an encore. H. C. Gunson sang "Anchored," which won him an encore, and Miss B. Palmer pleased her audience with a patriotic selection sung as an encore to "Jesus Lover of My Soul." E. T. Hughes sang a solo "Neptune," and was recalled. The first annual dance to be given by the Fifth Regiment band will be on Easter Monday.

For Red Cross Work.—At the last monthly meeting of the Shawanigan Lake Women's Institute a quantity of Red Cross needlework was on view prior to its dispatch to the central depot, Vancouver. All the work was neat and practical, among the articles being 26 flannel day shirts, 5 flannel night shirts, 15 convalescent suits, 36 pairs of ward slippers, 100 wash cloths, 25 pairs of socks, 25 knitted body belts, and one lounging robe. The meeting reported that there were now 79 members in the institute, and that a branch of the library had been opened at Cobble Hill for members who could not get to the Shawanigan Lake library. Monthly meetings will be held in future at Cobble Hill as well as at Shawanigan Lake, where a course of lectures on Home Nursing is attracting a good audience each week.

THE DOLLARS WE GET AND GIVE

Some one has said that the dollars we get are small but the dollars we spend are always large.

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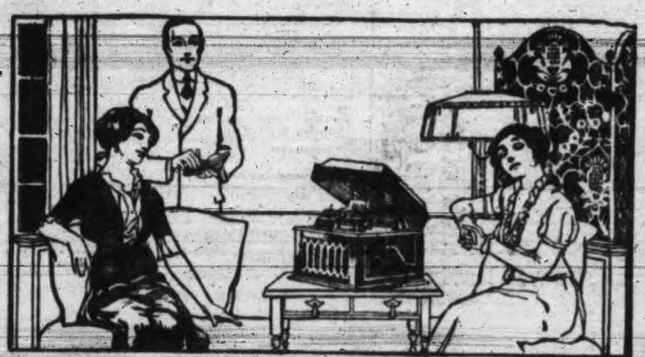
Was Chief of the U. S. Bureau of Appointments; on His Way Here

Announcement has been made of the appointment of Robert B. Mosher as American consul at Victoria to succeed the late Abraham Smith, who died on January 18. Mr. Mosher will transfer from Plauen, Germany, where he has been consul since 1911.

The new appointee to the local American consulate has had a successful career in diplomatic circles and is known as a man of pleasing, forceful personality. He was born in the District of Columbia, U. S. A., in 1857. He rose rapidly from the ranks as a government employee and was appointed clerk of the war department in 1888. Two years later he was made clerk of the state department; was designated to act as appointments clerk in 1897, and became chief of the bureau of appointments in 1898. He entered upon consular duties in 1905, as consul at Collingwood. The following year he was transferred to Port Elizabeth, and after four years there was appointed consul-general at Hankow, China, whence he removed to Plauen, Germany.

It is not known when Mr. Mosher is to arrive in Victoria, nor has a date for his assumption of office here been announced. R. N. Newcombe, vice-consul, who has been in charge of the local American consulate since the death of Mr. Smith, believes it probable that Mr. Mosher is now on his way to the city.

Stuart Jamieson Fuller, consul-general at large for United States, is a visitor in Victoria to-day on his regular tour of inspection, which he makes every two years.



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The Retail Merchants' association have offered the selection of two members for the following six: President J. E. Wilson, First Vice-President J. H. Fletcher, W. J. Shortt, D. J. Drake, George Barton and D. Miller.

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The Retail Employees' organization recommends Percy R. Pike and D. W. Poupard.

ing of the executive, which will be called together shortly, prior to this annual meeting.

Letters with regard to interesting the public of the coast cities in the use of alfalfa meal and the use of the Island highways for motor travel (through the organizations on the mainland) were also received by the association to-day.

Councillors Elected.—The special meeting of the Navy League chapter, I. O. D. E., summoned last Friday at the Temple building, nominated councillors for the provincial chapter, and elected Mrs. Thomson councillor for the municipal chapter, and Mrs. Cecil Cookson as delegate to the Local Council of Women.

Board of Trade.—A meeting of the council of the board of trade will be held at 10:30 o'clock to-morrow morning to consider several important matters upon which committees have been working. The monthly general meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.



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Mrs. Morrison, of Atlin, is staying at the Empress hotel.

H. L. Tyler, of Toronto, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

J. Fiebig, of Honolulu, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

R. E. Cooper, of Toronto, is making a brief stay in the city.

Miss Parker Hayes, of Vancouver, is staying at the Dominion.

F. W. Doherty, of Port Alberni, is staying at the Dominion.

Mrs. Cunningham, of Ottawa, is registered at the Dominion.

J. W. Whiteley, of Vancouver, is registered at the Dominion.

R. H. Carley, of Montreal, is registered at the Empress hotel.

J. D. McMurray, of Rivers Inlet, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

W. A. Garvie, of Toronto, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

W. H. Stanley, of San Francisco, is registered at the Empress hotel.

Walter Hanson, of Vancouver, is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

M. W. Wheeler, of Vancouver, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

J. A. Walker, of Vancouver, arrived at the Empress hotel this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, of Vancouver, are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Ketchum, of Seattle, are guests at the Empress hotel.

W. B. Small and C. S. Craddock, of Vancouver, are guests at the Empress hotel.

Geo. H. Moore and Mrs. Moore, of Winnipeg, Man., are at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. McCaffry and Miss McCaffry, of Chicago, are guests at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stovel arrived at the Empress hotel Saturday from Winnipeg.

Mrs. R. Chambers, of Alert Bay, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

N. H. White, J. C. Chisholm, and J. Marsh, of Duncan, are staying at the Dominion.

Miss E. M. Dillon, of Vancouver, is among those registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stanley Harvey, of Boston, Mass., are guests at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheson are in the city from Seattle. They are guests at the Strathcona hotel.

Hoydon Lowe and John Lowe, of Dayton, Ohio, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

John Avery, of Georges Harbor, arrived in the city yesterday, and registered at the Strathcona hotel.

W. Adams, of Dawson, is re-visiting Victoria after many years' absence, and stopping at the Dominion.

C. E. Little, of Tacoma; S. H. Slater and F. M. Randlett, of Portland, are registered at the Empress hotel.

A. A. Ardagh, of Winnipeg, and W. J. King, of the same city, were among the arrivals at the Empress hotel today.

Mrs. J. J. Caulfield, of Quebec street, returned home a few days ago, after having been three months with relatives in Montana.

M. S. Davys, of Silverton, Slovan lake, managing director of the Silverton Mines, Ltd., operating the Hewitt-Lorna Doones silver-lead mines and concentrating mill on Four-mile creek, Slovan, is in the city on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart J. Fuller, of Madison, Wis., arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday. Mr. Fuller is consul-general at large for the United States government, with jurisdiction over consular territories in Canada, Mexico, and Bermuda. He has inspected the consulate at Vancouver, proceeding from there to Prince Rupert. He was in charge of the American consulate at Naples in 1910-11, then at Gothenburg, Sweden, and while in Peru took a prominent share in the investigation of the Putumayo rubber atrocities. He received his present appointment in 1913.

"Suppose you come and dine with us on Christmas Day," asked Welfoff. "Wouldn't the day after do just as well?" inquired the poor relation. "Certainly; but where are you going to dine on Christmas Day?" "Oh, with you; you see, your wife was kind enough to ask me for that occasion."

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CHRIST'S TEACHINGS IN BUSINESS WORLD

Rev. J. B. Warnicker Preaches at the Dominion Theatre

The big auditorium of the Dominion theatre was crowded last night when Rev. J. B. Warnicker preached on the topic, "Can the teachings of Jesus be practised by the business world of today?" His text was from I Timothy, 6, v. 9 and 10: "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil; which while some coveted after they have erred from the faith and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

The question, "Can the teachings of Jesus be practised by the business world of today?" had been asked in the days of Paul, said the speaker, just as it was being asked to-day in New York and London. The subject was dealt with under three interrogative heads: "What are the teachings of Jesus?" "What is business?" and "Can the teachings of Jesus be practised in the business world?"

The teachings of Jesus might be summed up in the word "love." He taught that a good life was contagious, and that it had for its goal the establishment on earth as well as in heaven the Kingdom of Love. Only what love enjoined should man do, whether in his relation to social problems, wealth, the child, marriage, or the conduct of the state.

What was business? What was it not? It was not the adulteration of foods, the principle of advertising on the label of a bottle the medicine which should be but was not inside. It was not the fraudulent promotion of such enterprises as the Dominion Trust company, the sale of shoddy boots either to the army or to the private citizen; it was not to be found in sweet-shops and departmental stores which ground out the very life of the employees. Many of the magnates of these sweaters and departmental stores unfortunately were among the church members who subscribed heavily to foreign missions for the moral uplift of the Hindu or the Chinese, at the cost of the underpaid, starving, sweated men, women and children at home.

What was legitimate business? It was commerce in equitable exchange, food, clothing, shelter, schools, in return for fair exchange. For what made business corrupt? In itself it was not corrupt. There was no sin in wheat, but only in the wheat-shark. Man himself made business corrupt by letting it pass through the hands of thugs, thieves, gamblers, while all the time business was crying: "I want to do the will of God; I want to feed and clothe his people!"

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 8-5 a. m.—The barometer is falling over northern B. C., and heavy rains prevail about Prince Rupert. Light frosts have occurred on the lower mainland and this island, and fine weather in general southward to California, while on the coast moderate to fresh easterly winds are reported.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday: Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate northerly and easterly winds, generally fair and mild.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and mild.

Reports: Victoria—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, maximum yesterday, 51; minimum, 39; wind, 18 miles N.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.09; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 32; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 13; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 20 miles E.; rain, 1.50.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 44; wind, 23 miles N. E.; weather, fair.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 35; wind, 4 miles N. E.; weather, foggy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 48; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Temperature. Max. Min. Penton 54 .. Nelson 50 .. Calgary 40 .. Edmonton 34 .. Qu'Appelle 28 .. Winnipeg 28 ..

Victoria Daily Weather. Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Saturday: Temperature. Highest 48 Lowest 43 Average 45 Rain, .4 inch. Bright sunshine, 45 minutes. General state of weather, fair. Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Sunday: Temperature. Highest 51 Lowest 47 Average 47 Rain, .4 inch. Bright sunshine, 6 hours 30 minutes. General state of weather, fair.

A British soldier in Belgium was one morning wending his way to camp with a fine rooster in his arms, when he was stopped by his colonel to know if he had been stealing chickens. "No, colonel," was the reply. "I saw the old fellow sitting on the wall, and I ordered him to crow for England, and he wouldn't—so I just took him prisoner."

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MYSTICISM IN MUSIC

Interesting Lecture to Be Given Thursday Evening in Alexandra Club.

Under the auspices of the Victoria Ladies' Musical club a very interesting entertainment is being arranged for Thursday evening at the Alexandra club, when Miss Josephine E. Wardell, of Seattle, will deliver a lecture on "The Mystical Side of Music."

The lecture, which is being given under the patronage of Mrs. F. S. Barnard, will be illustrated by selections from some of the great composers: "Adagio Sonata," Op. 27, No. 2, Beethoven; "Morgenstimmung," Op. 46, No. 1, Grieg; "Ave's Tod," Op. 46, No. 2, Grieg; "Notturmo," Op. 54, No. 4, Grieg; "Nocturne," Op. 37, No. 1, Chopin; "Scherzino," Op. 26, Schumann; "Adagio," Op. 26, Beethoven.

Miss Wardell comes to Victoria very highly recommended both as speaker and player, and with such an interesting subject it is anticipated there will be a great demand for seats. Members and the public generally are very cordially invited to attend, the latter to be admitted on payment of a small admission fee of twenty-five cents.

Mrs. Smith, having decided to give a Christmas party, purchased a hat-stand, which she greatly admired, having hitherto lacked this very necessary article. Whilst showing it off to a visitor her little boy came in and forgot to remove his hat. Thinking to teach him a lesson she said, "Samuel, what did I buy this hat-stand for?" "For seven-and-sixpence," answered Samuel promptly. "But you said I wasn't to tell anybody."

No, Indeed! "It seems to me," remarked Mrs. Wood B. Highrow, "that those Russian Cossacks do not seem to be any match for the German Oo-logs."

PITHY PARAGRAPHS

In a certain California town lived a man who was willing to have his neighbors think him a fine musician. He installed a mechanical piano near a front window of his home, and spent hours peddling out melodies. He received compliments for a time, but his eight-year-old boy betrayed him in the end. "Your father is a great piano player, isn't he?" asked a woman who lived across the street. "Yes," said the middle, "but it makes his feet awful sore."

"So you come from a New York," said an English lady to a traveling American. "I supposed, of course, you came from Boston." "Why did you think that?" inquired the New York lady. "Because I supposed all cultivated, intelligent Americans came from Boston." "But what in the world made you think that?" was the natural question. "Oh, I don't know, exactly. I think it was a Boston lady who told me."

Mrs. Brown was entertaining friends, and somewhere between angel cake and chocolate the fair guests began to pay tribute to their respective husbands. "When we were first married," said Mrs. Brown, in her turn, with a reflective sigh, "Billy used to kiss me every time the train went through a tunnel." "How deliciously beautiful!" ecstatically exclaimed one of the younger women. "Does he still do it?" "Well, I should say not," responded Mrs. Brown, sadly. "Every time we hit a tunnel now he takes a drink."

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Only Recourse of Company is
Against Estate of
Arnold

"I might say in conclusion that in our capacity as auditors we have been aware for the last nine months that the funds were not being applied in all cases to our satisfaction, and we have pointed this out on two or three occasions by letter addressed to the directors."

This remarkable statement is the closing paragraph of a letter written on September 30 last by W. E. Hodges, of Hiddell, Stead, Hodges & Winter, the Vancouver firm of auditors which acted for the Dominion Trust company, to W. U. Rinnalls, inspector of trust companies. These are the same auditors who made their annual statement to the company shortly before the inspector reported to the government on July 23 last, and assured the directors that they had found everything satisfactory.

Reporting to the inspector on October 20 last Mr. Hodges says:

"I have to report that the present financial condition of the company is most unsatisfactory, which is due to the fact that very large amounts of money have been invested in real property which has depreciated in value; also to the fact that very large amounts of the company's own funds and trust and agency funds held for clients have been used for real estate and other speculative purposes, which have not been successful, in which some of the directors and officers of the company are interested personally, and also indirectly as shareholders and directors of other companies."

"I am submitting herewith a statement showing a partial list of the investments made in the securities above referred to, together with a short memorandum of the security held. Although I am not in a position to report upon the value of the securities, at the same time in some instances I am convinced that the loans are not sufficiently protected. The following is a list of the loans and assets which require comment."

W. R. Arnold's account, consisting of:

(a) W. R. Arnold \$ 142,938.17
(b) Syndicate No. 8 595,210.59
(c) William Philip 259,494.34
(d) George A. Barrett 62,903.39

Total \$1,060,646.50

"All of the above really represent the indebtedness of W. R. Arnold to the company, with the possible exception of a comparatively small amount in William Philip's account. I have recently found out that William Philip really exists, at the same time Arnold held his power of attorney and used his name for fictitious purposes."

"There are some documents on file signed by Mr. Arnold in which he had directed his accountant to charge his personal account with all the disbursements made on behalf of Syndicate No. 8, which originally consisted of about fifteen persons, although there is no evidence to show what interest they held in the syndicate. It appears that a portion of the amounts paid out by the company and charged to Syndicate No. 8 were used for the purpose of purchasing back the interest on some of the members from time to time when they became dissatisfied, and I do not think there is enough documentary evidence at hand to determine the liability of the other members to pay any portion of the indebtedness."

The Only Recourse.

"Therefore, I am of opinion that the only recourse the company can have for recovery is against the estate of Arnold who, in his will, has directed that all his life insurance, with the exception of about \$35,000, is to be paid to the Dominion Trust company, and to be applied to reduce the indebtedness of Syndicate No. 8. It has been estimated that the amount of this bequest will be about \$200,000. The assets of Syndicate No. 8 consist of about 30 or 40 different parcels of real estate, which are encumbered, or have liabilities on them under agreements. The syndicate's largest investment consisted of the assets purchased from Barrett and Deane, which consisted mainly of the Empress theatre, apartment house adjacent thereto and a parcel of land in Burrard Inlet at Roche Point."

"There is a first mortgage against the theatre and apartment house of \$225,000, and it has recently been discovered that there is a second mortgage of \$120,000, bearing interest at the rate of 60 per cent. per annum, which is guaranteed by the Dominion Trust company. The fact of the liability of the Dominion Trust company under this guarantee was not revealed by the managing director nor by any of the officials either to the directors or to the auditors of the company, and it is only since the death of Mr. Arnold that it has been found out."

"I may add that this guarantee is signed on behalf of the Dominion Trust company by E. P. Miller, general manager, and A. H. Bain, secretary, and I would suggest that you recommend to the directors that the services of these officers be dispensed with at the earliest possible moment, because I consider the withholding of this information practically amounts to fraud."

"From the above, and also because

there are numerous liabilities on the real estate of this syndicate, it will be seen that the value of the assets is indefinite, because it may be that the Dominion Trust company will be unable to fulfil their obligations in order to protect property."

Barrett and Deane \$ 22,500.00
Vancouver Industrial Site 45,881.09
Imperial Car & Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd. 4,495.82

Total \$72,876.91

"These loans were made on different security, and all of them were made on behalf of the Vancouver Industrial Sites, Ltd., and also the Imperial Car & Shipbuilding Corporation, Ltd., in which I believe Mr. Arnold had a private interest."

Western Canada City Properties \$407,198.85
Vancouver Dock & Harbor Extension Co., Ltd. 140,000.00
Pettit's-Timber Exchange .. 21,500.00
T. R. Pearson 191,089.96
Pearson's Limited 26,411.66
R. L. Cliff 50,000.00

Total \$836,300.47

"All the above appear to have been made either to T. R. Pearson personally, or to companies in which he held a large interest, and was also a director. I may add that Mr. Pearson was a member of the advisory board of the directors whose duty it was to authorize all loans before they were made. The interest on several of the above loans has not been paid in cash, credits being passed by which the indebtedness to the Dominion Trust company was increased each time the interest became due. Interest, amounting altogether to \$79,212.35, has been credited as paid in this way."

"I will point out that the loan to the Vancouver Dock & Harbor Extension Company, Ltd., of \$140,000 was made out of funds belonging to J. W. Oxley, and practically the only securities given were equities in lands purchased on Lulu Island presumably for the Vancouver dock and harbor extension scheme. In order that Oxley's title may be secured it is necessary to still pay large sums of money under the agreements by which the land was originally purchased; therefore his security is practically worthless."

Alvo von Alvensleben, \$1,143,549.41—

"This figure is the result of numerous transactions in real estate deals between Alvo von Alvensleben, Arnold, Philip, and the company. The company holds several securities of all kinds, the value of which at the present time it is impossible to determine. I am of the opinion, however, that at least one-half of the account will be lost. In addition to the amount shown above, I find the Dominion Trust company have guaranteed a second mortgage on Alvensleben's house at Korrisdale for \$50,000 at fifteen per cent. per annum. The fact that this liability existed was wilfully withheld both from the directors and auditors of the company, and it was only by making an independent search of the property that I became aware of the liability, which I communicated to the directors."

Natural Resources Security Co., Ltd., \$83,920.19—

"The security for this is an agreement for sale of 16,400 acres of land in Cariboo, and also the covenant of the purchasers, which is supposed to be good. At the same time none of the principal is being repaid and the interest is very much in arrears."

"I have only commented upon the loans on which I consider the largest losses will be made. The total of the sums included in the list I have prepared amounts altogether to \$4,858,636.11. I have no doubt that a large number of these will be realized without loss, but at the same time there is no doubt that the losses on some will be very large. Out of the total list submitted the sum of \$1,579,862.23 is represented by investments made from clients' funds. I have not yet discovered that the Dominion Trust company has in any way guaranteed their clients against losses, with the exception of the funds belonging to the first mortgage investment receipts which comprise a very small proportion of the total. Therefore, with this exception, any loss which will be made on the realization of these investments will have to be borne by the clients themselves."

"In regard to the two loans made to the Western Canada City Properties, Ltd., amounting to \$85,000, not only has the interest not been paid in cash, but the land which is held as the security for the mortgages has been sold for taxes, which amount altogether to \$1,418.66. The company has one year from the date of sale to redeem this property."

"Not only were the funds of the company used largely to finance deals in which some of the directors of the company were interested either directly or indirectly as directors and shareholders of subsidiary companies, but large sums of money were misappropriated and used for purposes other than those for which they were originally intended to be used, the most striking of which are the following:

"Guaranteed first mortgage investment certificates—The total sum received for these investments at this date amounts to \$774,428.65. Only \$665,573.65 has been invested, leaving a shortage of \$108,855. I believe that a few mortgages have since been set aside for the benefit of the investors, and that the sum of \$108,855 has since been reduced to about \$85,000."

"Honorable C. Dalton remitted the sum of \$55,351.25 for investment in a specified security, all of which money has been misappropriated, and he has now no security."

Canadian Home Investment company—

"The company is acting as trustee for the contract-holders, and the sum of \$43,533.19 is included amongst the deposits. This sum is made up of the money originally taken over at March 24, 1914 (which was then on deposit in two or three different banks), and moneys they have collected from the contract-holders since. There is no doubt but that the company should have kept all this money in separate banking account, but they failed to do this, and quite recently the Standard Trust, Limited, has been appointed receiver by an order of the court. They have made a demand on the Dominion

Trust company for this sum, which they are now unable to pay."

"The above are the largest individual examples of money which has been misappropriated. In addition to this, the company has acted as executors of various estates, and also as trustees and assignees. Practically all the moneys collected in connection with the administration and winding up of these estates has been misappropriated. The shortage in the Vancouver office alone is \$33,502.32. Owing to the lack of time I have not investigated the shortages in the branch offices. In connection with the loans made by the company I wish to point out that at the time the transactions were entered into the security taken was considered to be sufficient, and had the company wished at that time to realize them the market conditions were such that they could have done so. In preparing this report I have called upon Mr. Baird

to search the titles to some of the properties held as security."

"I am submitting also as a part of this report a statement showing the credit balances and liabilities of the Dominion Trust company to depositors, creditors and clients as at October 10, except that statements from some of the branch offices are included as at September 30; this because later returns have not been received. The total liabilities to the depositors, clients and the public amount to \$2,067,583.69, in addition to which the liability to the Royal Bank is as follows:

Loan account \$150,000
Overdraft 23,471
Bills under discount 23,295

Total \$196,766

"As security for this indebtedness the bank holds various securities, the nominal value of which amounts to about \$1,600,000, this including \$640,000

for their holdings in the B. C. Securities, Limited, a subsidiary company, various stocks and bonds of the Columbia Valley Orchards, Limited, Seymour Arm Estates, Limited, Central Okanagan Lands, Limited, the realizable value of which at the present time cannot be ascertained. In addition, there are also included amongst the securities some municipal debentures, debentures of the Howe Sound and Northern Development Company, Ltd., a note of the Central Okanagan Lands, Ltd., and various accepted drafts amounting to approximately \$130,000, all of which I believe will eventually be paid."

"I will point out that at December 31, 1913, the company had earmarked for the security of depositors a large amount of securities, most of which have since been hypothecated to the bank as security for the above overdraft and is included in their security above referred to. I might point out

that part of the indebtedness of the Central Okanagan Lands, Ltd., hypothecated to the bank had previously been set aside and earmarked as security for some of the clients, therefore the company committed a breach of trust in again hypothecating it to the bank."

"Mr. Hodges reported in September to the inspector of trust companies that from the Victoria branch there had been remitted to the head office \$116,000 collected from depositors and clients. He forwarded trial balances of the Victoria and Regina offices. Of the latter he said there were some points in it which he did not like and it revealed a serious state of affairs. The cash on hand was shown as \$5,189, but there was an overdraft to the Royal Bank of \$4,237.31, and assuming this to be represented by either or its equivalent there was only a net amount of \$942.69 on hand, as against which liabilities which might have to be

taken care of within a reasonable time or perhaps almost immediately were the following: Depositors, \$141,275.79; clients, \$8,593.56; mortgages, \$7,762.76; trust funds, \$32,724.68; or an aggregate of \$190,356.89."

"A statement of the Vancouver office showed that from April 1, 1912, to October 10, 1913, there had been deposits to the amount of \$8,553,795.10, and withdrawals to the amount of \$8,086,022.56, leaving a balance on deposit when the company closed its doors of \$467,772.54, but this was \$21,227.17 less than was on deposit at the former date named."

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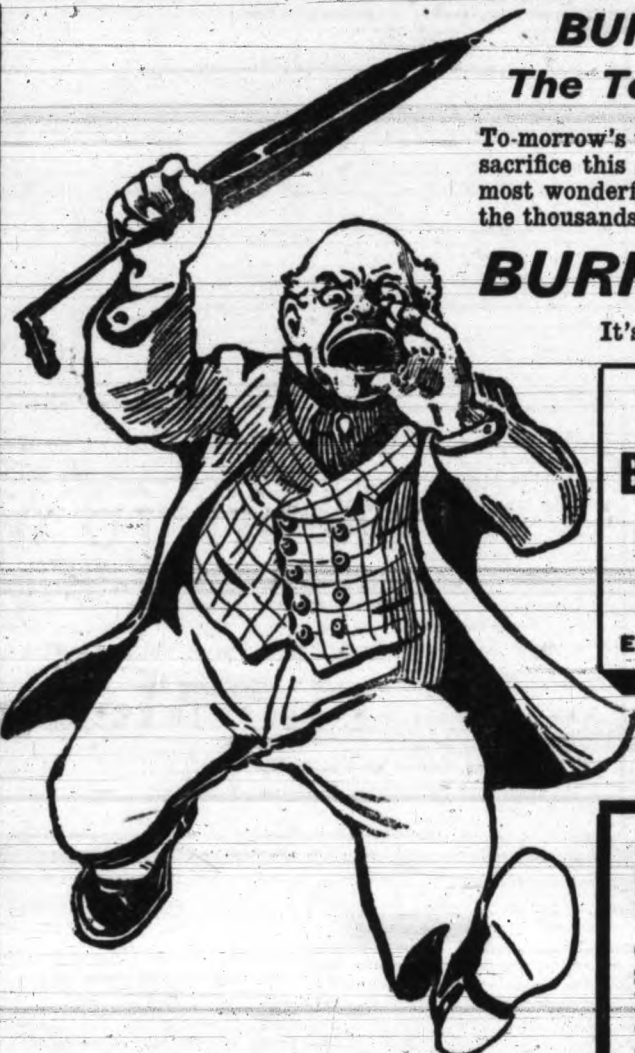
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"The Million," a thrilling mystery farce with as many laughs as the title, in which Edward Abeles, the well known American character actor is starring, is the attraction at the Variety for three days commencing to-day.

This production has won the distinction of possessing more laughter and wholesome fun than any comedy of recent years. The continuous mirth proceeds equally from the action, caricatures and situations of one of the most novel and ingenious plots ever presented on stage or screen.

As a special added attraction the management have secured a three days return engagement of that funniest of movie comedians, Charles Chaplin, in his movie masterpiece, "His New Job."

This comedy, which was presented at the Romano theatre for two days last week, created such a sensation that on the urgent request of the Variety patrons it was secured for the return engagement, and will undoubtedly prove a genuine drawing card at this ever popular theatre.

Prof. Turner's orchestra is a welcome addition to the picture programme and is highly complimented on the high class of music rendered during the productions.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

A veritable gala performance in vaudeville is the new Pantages bill which opened this afternoon, for the remarkable offering boasts of three distinct headline acts and the remaining turns listed are scarcely secondary in importance. In fact, Manager Rice guarantees a show that will pass into history as one of the best in the career of the Pantages circuit.

The first of these stellar acts will be the famous Tasmanian Van Dieman Troupe of aerialists and acrobats, whose feats have been the sensation of three continents, Australia, Europe and America. Their skill is marvellous and their attractive personalities and exquisite wardrobes make them especially popular with discriminating audiences.

Another of the triumvirate of big ones is the Great Lester, foremost among all ventriloquists. This superlative artist always has a line of accompanying patter which carries the house off its feet. He alone is sufficient to provide a whole afternoon or evening's entertainment.

Then there will also be offered for good measure Charles L. Gill and his players in their sensational mystery drama, "The Devil, the Servant and the Man." This remarkable play is somewhat similar to "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," in which Sir Johnson Forbes-Robertson made his chief reputation and it is agreed to be one of the most impressive and wonderful offerings ever seen on the vaudeville stage.

Other notable acts will be the Bernivici Brothers in their successful musical act, "A Night in Venice," Harrison Greene and Katheryn Parker, polite entertainers, and the Juggling Barretts. Besides these six big acts there will be a great film of comedy pictures.

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PROGRESS ON BREAKWATER

Interesting Figures Given Out This Morning as to Amount of Material Already Used.

Some interesting figures were given out this morning by the engineers' office of Sir John Jackson, Ltd., in connection with the breakwater in course of construction. The magnitude of the undertaking may be seen from

the tonnage of core, rubble, granite, and concrete put in to date.

The figures are: Grand total to date of core dumped, 241,925 tons; rubble, 585,388 tons; granite, 24,708 tons; concrete 4,276 cubic yards. This makes an approximate tonnage of over \$76,283 in the breakwater alone.

During February no core was put in, but totals of rubble, granite, and concrete for the four weeks show 23,820 tons of rubble; 3,983 tons of granite; and 1,530 cubic yards of concrete.

The total tonnage of rubble put in

the piers since the inception of the work is 291,657. During February 31,493 tons were laid down, and on top of the rubble 1,617 cubic yards of broken stone.

"What are you doing with these snowballs?" asked the old gentleman, suspiciously, to an urchin a few days before Christmas. "Sellin' 'em, sir. Sellin' 'em, three for a penny, and them what can't afford to buy them gets 'em for nuffin'." "Ah, indeed!" said the old gentleman. "I'll buy the entire lot."

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BEGINNING OF THE END

San Francisco, March 8.—What may be the beginning of the end for Caucasian masters on the huge lines of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha fleet which ply from the Orient to this port was the steaming on Saturday of the Toyo Maru with Capt. S. Togo on the bridge in place of Capt. Ernest Bent, who is on leave of absence for one voyage.

If the masters of the T. K. K. liners are to be Japanese in the future it will be, primarily, on account of the provisions of the seamen's bill which was signed by President Wilson a few days ago. This law provides that 75 per cent. of the crew of a vessel calling at American ports must speak the language of the master. This means the retirement of all of the British skippers of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

There are in Japan's 1,139,401 Jews, very nearly half of the total number in the world, which is estimated at 10,412,820. The next greatest number is in Austria-Hungary, 1,294,378; and the third greatest is in the United States, 1,136,240.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Chancellor	Donald	2,985	Balfour, Guthrie	Liverpool	Mar. 20
Sado Maru	Asakawa	3,820	G. Northern	Hongkong	Mar. 20
Yamato Maru	Kanao	3,820	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Mar. 20
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Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

HEAVY WEATHER OFF

COAST DELAYS MARU

Panama Will Not Arrive in Port From Orient Until To-morrow; Has New Captain

Through encountering heavy weather off this coast the Osaka Kaisha liner Maru, Capt. Ainsworth, will not arrive in port until to-morrow morning. A radio-gram received from the inbound Oriental steamer on Friday last stated that she would berth at Victoria this afternoon, but since that time she has been steaming against strong gales and consequently she has not been able to log her regular speed.

A new master is bringing in the Panama Maru. For the past two years Capt. Kanao has been in charge of the vessel, but the wireless message received to-day was signed by Capt. Ainsworth, who is coming here on his first visit. Every two years the skippers in the Osaka fleet are changed about, and Capt. Kanao has fulfilled his work in the trans-Pacific trade and has been given another ship.

The Panama Maru will discharge about 100 tons of cargo at this port and a number of Japanese steamer passengers will disembark.

Word by wireless was expected to-day from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru, Capt. Asakawa, which is following the Panama into port from the Orient. The Sado will probably report to-night. She is due to arrive on Thursday. The steamer has nearly 700 tons of general freight to discharge at the outer docks and about fifty passengers will leave the ship here.

When the Canadian-Australian liner Makura, Capt. Phillips, left Auckland, N. Z., on her way to Victoria from Sydney, N. S. W., she had 103 passengers on board, which is the largest list brought north from the Antipodes since the commencement of the war. The list no doubt was augmented considerably by the calls at Suva and Honolulu. The Makura is scheduled to berth here on Thursday.

TIDE TABLES.

Date	Time	High	Time	Low	Time	High	Time	Low
March								
1	3:29	7.5	6:26	6.3	12:54	8.4	21:06	2.6
2	3:43	7.7	6:38	6.4	13:04	8.1	21:13	2.3
3	3:57	7.8	6:50	6.5	13:17	7.7	21:20	2.0
4	4:11	7.9	7:02	6.6	13:30	7.2	21:28	1.7
5	4:25	8.0	7:14	6.7	13:43	6.7	21:36	1.4
6	4:39	8.1	7:26	6.8	13:56	6.2	21:44	1.1
7	4:53	8.2	7:38	6.9	14:09	5.7	21:52	0.8
8	5:07	8.3	7:50	7.0	14:22	5.2	22:00	0.5
9	5:21	8.4	8:02	7.1	14:35	4.7	22:08	0.2
10	5:35	8.5	8:14	7.2	14:48	4.2	22:16	0.0
11	5:49	8.6	8:26	7.3	15:01	3.7	22:24	0.0
12	6:03	8.7	8:38	7.4	15:14	3.2	22:32	0.0
13	6:17	8.8	8:50	7.5	15:27	2.7	22:40	0.0
14	6:31	8.9	9:02	7.6	15:40	2.2	22:48	0.0
15	6:45	9.0	9:14	7.7	15:53	1.7	22:56	0.0
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17	7:13	9.2	9:38	7.9	16:19	0.7	23:12	0.0
18	7:27	9.3	9:50	8.0	16:32	0.2	23:20	0.0
19	7:41	9.4	10:02	8.1	16:45	0.0	23:28	0.0
20	7:55	9.5	10:14	8.2	16:58	0.0	23:36	0.0
21	8:09	9.6	10:26	8.3	17:11	0.0	23:44	0.0
22	8:23	9.7	10:38	8.4	17:24	0.0	23:52	0.0
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27	9:33	10.2	11:38	8.9	18:29	0.0	24:32	0.0
28	9:47	10.3	11:50	9.0	18:42	0.0	24:40	0.0
29	10:01	10.4	12:02	9.1	18:55	0.0	24:48	0.0
30	10:15	10.5	12:14	9.2	19:08	0.0	24:56	0.0
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The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 6 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of lower-low water.

Equivalents to find the depth of water on the sill of the dry dock at any tide, add 18.0 feet to the height of high water as above given.

Only evil grows of itself; for goodness we want effort and courage.—Amiel.

HUGE CARGO OF WOOL

COMES ON WYANDOTTE

Steamship in From Australia via Samoa Islands; Brings Princeton's Guns

With her five holds filled to their capacity with wool from Brisbane, Aust., a deckload of copra loaded at Pago-Pago, Samoa Islands, and a number of guns and fittings from the United States gunboat Princeton, wrecked on the South Sea Islands, which have changed hands since the European war commenced, the steamship Wyandotte, under charter to the Canadian-Australian line, arrived at William Head on Saturday afternoon a little before 6 o'clock, and picking up Capt. Whiteley, the local pilot, proceeded to Vancouver.

The trip of the Wyandotte is very interesting, as she is the first vessel to arrive here from the Samoa Islands since they changed flags. Shortly after the outbreak of the war, the Australian navy landed forces on the islands and the United Jack was hoisted in place of the Kaiser's colors. The steamship was berthed there for two days loading copra and armament which had been salvaged from the lost gunboat. The Wyandotte will discharge the gun at San Francisco, to which port she will proceed as soon as she has put off her wool cargo at the Terminal City.

Started From Sydney. The Wyandotte sailed from Sydney, N. S. W., on January 25, and proceeded to Brisbane to load wool. The cargo is the largest of its kind to be received at a British Columbia port, and it will be rushed across the continent by the C.

The big crib is now afloat off the pier site, and about eight feet of its great bulk is showing out of the water. Although the crib weighs 2,500 tons of iron and steel, it is so constructed that it floats. At the first favorable tide the crib will be towed to its exact position, and then by opening valves the great structure will be sunk. The foundation for the crib has been practically completed. Huge quantities of rubble have been brought from Vancouver and Rosebank quarries, and the re-

FIRST CRIB TOWED

TO SITE OF PIERS

Tugs Tartar and Mystery Took It From Esquimalt to Ogden Point To-day

In tow of the tugs Tartar and Mystery the first crib for the new outer harbor piers arrived off Ogden Point at noon to-day, and with the first favorable tide it will be sunk in position. Fifty-three of these massive networks of concrete are to be constructed by Grant, Smith & Macdonnell, contractors for the two piers, and from time to time they will be towed around to the outer harbor from Esquimalt and placed in their respective positions.

One pair of cribs has been constructed, and had it not been for the unfortunate mishap to the floating drydock on which they were built, it is certain that both pieces of concrete would have been in place prior to this and another pair would have been started. The contractors are now building a marine slip at their quarters at Rosebank, Esquimalt harbor, and further work on the crib will be held up until the ways are completed.

Sunk at Favorable Tide. The big crib is now afloat off the pier site, and about eight feet of its great bulk is showing out of the water. Although the crib weighs 2,500 tons of iron and steel, it is so constructed that it floats. At the first favorable tide the crib will be towed to its exact position, and then by opening valves the great structure will be sunk. The foundation for the crib has been practically completed. Huge quantities of rubble have been brought from Vancouver and Rosebank quarries, and the re-

Honolulu, March 7.—Arrived Schooner Alice Cooke, from Port Gamble. Sydney, March 7.—Arrived: Str. Strathairne, from Vancouver, B. C. via Eureka.

Heavily-Laden Liner Starts Out on Trans-Pacific Run



S. S. TITAN

On Saturday the Titan left Yokohama for Victoria with her holds filled with general merchandise. She is due to arrive here on March 19. The Titan is operating in the new trans-Pacific service of the Blue Funnel line until the collier Proteus is released by the admiralty.

P. R. to Boston, Mass. The Wyandotte had splendid weather on her trip up the Pacific and came from Pago-Pago in twenty-one days.

Other ships in the freight service of the Canadian-Australian line will include the Samsan Islands in their ports of call. Considerable copra and sugar is produced by the islanders and the company expects to do a good business with the port. Hereafter most of the supplies for the islands will be carried by the freight boats.



The new light on Noble Island, Christie Passage, now in operation. The new light and fog alarm bell on Brook Point, Vancouver harbor, is now in operation. The bell strikes once every five seconds.

CANNERY TENDER LAUNCHED.

Seattle, March 8.—Christened after Mount Katmai, which on frequent intervals has belched smoke and ashes into the sky, causing all kinds of trouble to the cannery men and fishermen of Western Alaska, the cannery tender Katmai, building at the yards of E. W. Heath, on the Duwamish river at Oxbow, was launched on Saturday.

The vessel is to serve the Northwestern Fisheries company in the north, acting as a deep-sea tug and tender. She is 90 feet long over all, 26.8 feet beam and 10.5 feet moulded depth. The vessel will be equipped with a 150-horse power Atlas gas engine, and is expected to maintain a speed of 12 miles an hour.

GEORGE GOES NORTH.

This morning the G. T. P. steamer Prince George, Captain D. McKenzie, sailed from Victoria for Prince Rupert and Anxoy with a fair list of passengers. T. H. Hughes, Mrs. Hughes and A. Timke embarked at this port.

SECOND-CLASS RATE CUT.

Local passenger agents of trans-Pacific steamship lines have been advised that the Cunard company has slashed the second-class rates. Hereafter the rate from Canadian and American ports to Liverpool will be \$50, and the same for passengers traveling in the opposite direction.

In Russia bricks made of coal dust are used for paving the coast dust is combined with treacle and resin.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Vancouver, March 7.—Arrived: Str. Wyandotte, from Fiji. Sailed: Str. Oana, for Seattle and Tacoma, at midnight.

Port Blakeley, March 7.—Arrived: Schr. Blakeley, from Honolulu, in tow of tug Prosper.

Port Wells, March 7.—Sailed: Str. Asuncion, for San Francisco.

Tacoma, March 7.—Sailed: Str. Queen, for Seattle via Everett.

Portland, March 7.—Arrived: Str. Roanoke, from San Francisco; str. Breakwater, from Coos Bay. Sailed: Str. G. W. Elder, for Coos Bay; str. Beaver, for San Francisco.

San Francisco, March 7.—Arrived: Str. Sea Foam, from Mendocino; str. Control, from Eureka; str. Doris, from Grays Harbor; str. President, from Seattle; str. Thor (Nor.) from Newcastle, Australia; str. Shabonee (Br.) from Japan. Sailed: Str. Washington and F. A. Kilburn, for Eureka.

San Pedro, March 7.—The str. Tahoe arrived from Grays harbor with a cargo of ties for the Southern Pacific company; the str. Lakme arrived from Eureka with lumber; the str. Hermitess arrived from Eureka with lumber; the str. San Pedro arrived from Alton with lumber; the str. Willamette arrived from St. Helens with lumber; the str. Talia arrived from the Columbia river with poles and piling.

Astoria, March 7.—Sailed: Str. Solano, for San Francisco; str. Kofu Maru, for Shanghai; str. Washburn, for San Francisco; str. Geo. W. Elder, for Coos Bay. Arrived: Str. Breakwater, from Coos Bay; str. W. F. Herin, from San Francisco; str. Roanoke, from San Francisco.

Seattle, March 7.—Arrived: Str. Crown of Seville, Liverpool via Panama Canal. Str. Olson & Mahoney, New York via San Francisco and Willapa harbor. Str. J. A. Chaisior, San Francisco.

Str. Admiral Farragut, San Francisco. Str. Prince George, Prince Rupert.

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TO OAK BAY RESIDENTS—All Oak Bay jitneys run from Oak Bay Hotel to Broad street, continuous service, fare 25c, fare to golf links, 25c for one, 25c for two, or 10c each for more than two passengers. m10
EXCHANGE—\$250 equity Calgary for vacant lots Victoria. Apply Box 136, Times. m11

FOR SALE—Brass cornet, 29; saxophone, made in Paris, cost \$55, sell for \$40; genuine Gibson guitar, cost \$15 new, sell for \$25; violin, Andrews Amati model, very old and rare, a bargain, \$50; viola, \$10; mandolin, \$5; flute, \$10; clarinet, \$5; banjo, \$5; boy's small violin, \$5.50; or will exchange on good notes for other valuables. J. B. Jaffe, 141 Store street, corner Cormorant. m11
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PEMBERTON BUILDING BASEMENT FLOODED

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Hydrant and Considerable
Damage Was Done

An unique accident early yesterday morning caused damage to the establishments of the basement lessees of the Pemberton building, which, it has been roughly estimated, will take about a thousand dollars to repair.

A heavy motor bus, owned by Watson & Rutherford, crashed into the hydrant at the corner of Fort and Broad streets, and, breaking a pipe, turned loose a flood of water so great that the street drain was insufficient to carry it away. The stream overran the sidewalk, poured down through the gratings on Broad street, and, as if to make a complete job of it, rounded the corner and cascaded down the stairs, leading to the Pemberton barber shop and Arcade bowling alleys.

The barber shop, bowling alleys and engine room of the building were inundated, particular damage being done to the barber shop in one apartment of which (this being almost water tight) the flood reached a height of nearly five feet. It was some hours before the water could be turned off, and it took nearly the entire day with the machine pumps of the engine room working full blast to pump the water out.

An examination to-day showed that the barber shop had suffered most heavily, its furnishings being in a decidedly chaotic state, although business was carried on as usual. The linoleum in this and the bowling alley was badly damaged. In the engine room the machinery was in operation to-day, but it is feared that considerable harm to certain parts which were submerged for several hours will manifest itself later on.

The police are investigating the accident to-day.

GIVEN SMALL DAMAGES

Sues for \$2,000 and is Awarded \$50 for
Wrongful Arrest at the Market.

In the supreme court action of Greenwood against Wright and Dalby, Mr. Justice Gregory this morning gave judgment for \$50 and costs on the county court scale. The plaintiff sued for \$2,000 damages for wrongful arrest.

The action arose out of the arrest of Mr. Greenwood at the market building after Mr. Dalby, who was then market superintendent, had tried to collect the market fees due from those who engage in business there. Failing to get the fees from Mr. Greenwood, he spoke to Sergeant Wright, of the Victoria city police force, and Mr. Greenwood was arrested by the officer and was held for thirty minutes.

In the county court this morning Mike Povich sued the St. Francis hotel for damages claimed for a lost suit case. He was non-suited for failure to prove the proprietorship of the hotel.

HELD EXCITING MATCH

Macaulay Detachment Beat Esquimalt
Civilians by Narrow Margin of
Eight Points.

In a closely contested match between the Macaulay detachment of the 5th Regiment and the Esquimalt Rifle association, the soldiers were the winners by a margin of 8 points.

Macaulay Detachment.
Lieut. Winsby 100
Corp. Lapham 100
Capt. Birch 99
Ge. Pagett 99
C. S. M. Doyle 99
Corp. McMartin 99
Bomb. Roberts 99
Gr. Anderson 99
Total 771
Esquimalt R. A.
E. H. Beane 98
W. A. Pomeroy 98
C. Askey 98
A. W. Greaves 97
A. Potts 97
J. McDonald 97
T. H. Allan 97
J. D. Johnson 97
Total 771

A return match has been arranged for Thursday, March 11, at 5 p. m., on the miniature range, Esquimalt road, when the civilians hope to score a win.

The scores for Saturday's practice were:
W. A. Pomeroy 98
E. H. Beane 98
A. Potts 98
C. Askey 98
A. W. Greaves 97
J. D. Johnson 97
J. Strand 97
T. H. Piper 97
A. B. Beale 97
R. G. Grey 97
S. J. Heald 97
G. S. Ellis 97
G. S. McFavish 97

The death occurred quite suddenly last evening at Sidney, B. C., of William R. Mallander. He was unmarried, and the funeral arrangements are being made by the Sons of England, of which organization he was a member. The body was forwarded from Sidney this morning to the B. C. Funeral parlors.

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FOR SALE—A horse, buggy and harness, cheap. Phone 3988. m11
COMPANIONS OF FOREST will hold a social dance in A. O. F. Hall on Thursday, March 11, at 9 p. m. Gents 50c, ladies free. m10

BORN.
CLARKSON—On March 7, 1915, at a private nursing home, the wife of Mr. Syd. Clarkson, of a son.

CARD OF THANKS.
Mrs. McConnell and family, 1222 Oscar street, wish to thank their many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy during their recent sad bereavement, also for the floral offerings.

REGISTRAR OF ALIENS HERE ON INSPECTION

General Sir William Otter
Confers With Divisional
Registrar

General Sir William Otter arrived in Victoria yesterday morning, and was in conference with Major Ridgway Wilson, registrar of aliens for this division, and also with the district officer commanding. He will leave tomorrow for Nanaimo, where he will inspect the detention quarters at that place. Later he will visit Vernon.

There are about 2,500 aliens now interned in Canada, and so far they have had very little trouble with them, the men expressing themselves well satisfied with the food and accommodation provided. The jurisdiction extends over the whole of the Dominion, and the general has visited nearly all the camps. He came here direct from Calgary.

Discussing the question of a possible German raid, General Otter said this morning he did not anticipate any trouble, as the experience of the United States in the Fenian raid had taught the danger of breaking away from strict neutrality. Speaking of the incident on the New Brunswick frontier, he expressed the opinion that this was just a spasmodic incident, likely to occur at any time.

It is four years since the general was in Victoria, and he expressed his pleasure in being here again.

LOCAL NEWS

British Pencils Are Best.—We handle Wolff & Sons' famous make as supplied his majesty the king. Sweeney-McConnell, Limited, wholesale and retail stationers and printers, 1010-12 Langley St.

Oak Bay Liberals.—The annual meeting of the Liberals of Oak Bay will take place on Wednesday evening, commencing at 8 o'clock in the arena.

Astronomical Lecture.—F. Napier Denison will lecture this evening at 8 o'clock in the lecture-room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on "Stars and Nebulae." A collection will be taken in aid of the Patriotic fund.

Lecture on Forestry.—At the regular weekly meeting of the Young People's society of the First Baptist church to be held this evening at 8 o'clock, H. R. MacMillan, chief of the forestry department of British Columbia, will deliver an address. A splendid musical programme has been arranged. An invitation is extended to the general public to attend the meeting.

Reformed Episcopal Church.—The usual Wednesday afternoon service will be held at 4.45 o'clock, the preacher for the occasion being the Rev. Mr. Hoyle. On Friday next at 8 p. m. in the Sunday school there will be a lecture on Hymnology by W. H. Collins, illustrated by magic lantern views. A silver collection will be taken on behalf of the piano fund of the Young People's guild.

Madrigal Society Concert.—The Madrigal society will hold their annual concert in the Victoria theatre on March 24. All proceeds will be contributed to the Belgian Relief fund. Besides a demonstration by several members of the society, some of the best local talent have consented to

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral parlors, and half an hour later from the Emmanuel Baptist church, where services will be conducted by the Rev. Wm. Stevenson. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery.

SCHOOL BOARD

Some Items of Business for Board's
Consideration on Wednesday.

At the meeting of the city school board on Wednesday it is expected that further will be heard of the letters to the suburban bodies asking for provision to be made for the payment of tuition fees of pupils in the city high school. They have naturally not taken kindly to the idea, which is provided for in the school act, and the attitude will be disclosed in the replies received.

The board will also probably hear from Mr. Gibson, landscape designer for the department of education, on the plan of grants in aid devised by the government for the improvement of school grounds, and the planting of school gardens.

On the education of children in garden cultivation, Mr. Blandy, of Cloverdale avenue, has submitted a proposal, which will be brought before the meeting of the trustees.

30TH AT SHORNCIFFE.
Cables received here yesterday show that Victoria Men Have Arrived at Destination.

Cables received here yesterday by the relatives of men who left with the 30th Overseas battalion report that the men disembarked from the "Mississippi" at Avonmouth, where they entrained for Shorncliffe immediately. Shorncliffe Camp is on the Kent coast, not far from Dover, and the site for a camp is an ideal one.

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take part in the evening's activities. The commanding officer of the Fifth regiment has given the band permission to provide the music. Tickets have been placed on sale at Fletcher Brothers, and at Terry's drug store.

Railway Pioneer Dead.—The death has occurred at Harrison Hot Springs of George Mitchell, a well known pioneer railway promoter. He was one of those who inaugurated the White Pass & Yukon railway, and was associated with other railway projects in the northern country.

Y. W. C. A. Social Club.—Rev. Joseph Philip will lecture to the Social Club on Thursday evening at the Y. W. C. A., the subject of his talk to be "The Battle of Waterloo." There will be a programme of special music.

Sun-Spots.—Five groups of sun-spots have been detected by Napier Denison at the observatory, Gonzales heights. The sun-spots are gradually increasing, and will probably do so for the next year or more, as the period of increasing sun-spots is being approached. Up to the present, however, they are not large enough to detect with the naked eye through smoked glasses, although it is probable before long that some of the groups may be seen.

To Aid Red Cross.—At a meeting of the presidents of the Women's Church guilds and other societies of the district called at Duncan to meet the directors of the Women's institute on Tuesday last, it was decided to hold a combined entertainment in aid of the Red Cross fund the total proceeds of which are to be sent to the provincial

headquarters of the Red Cross. G. O. Pooley, Mr. Scholey and H. D. Ford were asked to get up a theatrical entertainment in connection with which the schoolchildren will give some old English dances. A supper and dance will follow the play, which is to take place on Easter Monday.

Old Offender Jailed.—Charles Benson was given six months in jail by the magistrate this morning for persisting in his propensity for supplying Indians with liquor. This was his third or fourth offence of the kind. He pleaded not guilty but the evidence was against him. The Indian, Jack Dick, who was the recipient of the liquor this time, was fined \$25. In addition to this four cases of vagrancy comprised the docket this morning. Arthur Clegg, an old offender was given three months and James Reilly one month. Frank Gordon and Robert Wilson were remanded until tomorrow.

Much Sunshine.—Six and one-half hours of perfect sunshine were Victoria's portion yesterday. The temperature in the afternoon, as a consequence, rose as high as 51 degrees, the highest recorded yet this month. The condition seems to be relatively general all along the Pacific coast, although Prince Rupert reports 1 1/2 inches rainfall in the past twelve hours. This morning a light frost touched portions of Vancouver Island, and extended intermittently down into the state of Oregon. In the Yukon the past three months have been quite unusual, contrary to custom very little snow weather being recorded. The Prairie provinces enjoy very much the same condition.

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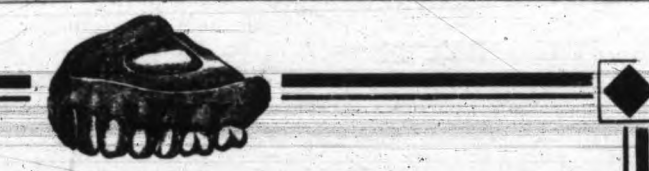
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GOVERNMENT DECIDES ON A SNAP ELECTION

Speculation Rife as to Who Will Be New Cabinet Members

As was forecasted by the Times a few days ago, prorogation is being followed again by dissolution. This time the government was not prepared with the date, and so the date of the general elections will not be settled until to-day, but the premier made the announcement after the assembly had prorogued on Saturday night that this course is to be followed.

The signs were multiplying that the government contemplated another snap election, and those who follow public affairs are aware that the earlier the government appeals to the country the better are its chances. Every day lost now means a loss in prestige and an increase in the revolution of feeling on the part of the electorate which has been going on for some months. At the last moment it was decided to pass the agricultural credits bill, although it was not intended earlier in the session that this should be done, and an eleventh-hour attempt to pass some labor legislation was also a change in plan. Both these alterations in the original programme for the session are due to the growing conviction of members that the country is going against them, and no opportunity has been lost by those from rural constituencies to urge upon the premier and attorney-general that they must give their followers something, no matter how small or useless, which can be used as a bait for the farmer and working-class vote.

The premier could not refrain from bringing the war into his explanation of why the election is being brought on. In mentioning the war, however, he did not touch on the excellent reason it affords for not having an election at this time, when it is not necessary for another twelve months. Instead he speaks of "a multitude of new problems" which must be faced in British Columbia as a result of the war, and he says that it is in view of a number of considerations mainly arising from the crisis of the war that the government deems it imperative that the people should be consulted. He goes on to talk of development and conservation.

The premier is going into the fight again himself, which is not according to the intention he had a year ago. At that time he proposed to leave the provincial field, either for the federal arena or for the wider world of London as high commissioner. It was in pursuance of this plan that the attorney-general began to make extended

tours of the province, and took a gradually increasing part as a political leader. Even this session he has been leading the house more than the premier.

For some time there has not been the warmest feelings between the two ministers, gossip in the corridors goes, and this was intensified just recently. The premier had plans for further railway aid, in spite of his assurances that the legislature had heard the last of this, and if the actual bill was not printed the details of the proposals were completed. This was brought to the caucus at a long and exceedingly warm gathering early last week. Mr. Bowser, being more astute than his leader, realized that the province would not stand for anything further in this line, and had expressed his opposition to the premier's plans when they were discussed in council.

When he found that Sir Richard was bent on giving the further aid that he proposed to one of the premier's beneficiaries, Mr. Bowser canvassed the members, and he had no difficulty in convincing them that their political lives would not be worth an hour's purchase if they allowed the premier to have his will. Thus it was that when Sir Richard asked the caucus to approve of this last bit of aid to enable the government to finish out this stage of its policy of development—anyone who has heard him on the subject can imagine what he would say—he got a jolt. He suspected the hand of the Napoleon of the administration, especially as the attorney-general carried his opposition into the caucus, and this accounts for a touch of coolness between the twins of late.

There are those who profess to see a disposition of the attorney-general to act as if he were already premier, and also in the natural bit of vanity the premier feels in his position, the reason for the change in plan. They think the premier has decided that he will show his colleague who is the boss, that he will run this election to suit his own ideas, and that if he wins he will take his own time to get out into another field, leaving Mr. Bowser to meet the problems that a year or two will bring and deal with them as he pleases.

The election, the premier announces, is to be fought on the government's general record, but it is also to be fought on railway construction and on an agricultural policy contained in a measure which is not to go into force until whenever the government thinks proper, and which would not be law now, as already stated, if agricultural district members had not insisted upon it.

Victorians will, of course, be interested in the policy of "attacking vigorously and courageously" railway construction, on the island as well as on the mainland. It is just four years since the premier told the legislature that the government intended to compel the construction of the island section, from Victoria to Barkley Sound, at the same time as the mainland sections. The latter are said to be practically complete—members of the house enjoyed a trip over a considerable portion of the road three weeks ago—but not one yard of steel is laid on the island. Probably compulsory having failed, a vigorous and courageous attack is now to be made on the Bill—and Dan friends of the premier.

There are to be "some changes in the personnel of the cabinet," and the premier euphemistically adds that these will be made "to meet the wishes of those who may be disposed to relinquish office." It is also with a view to strengthening the administration at a most critical period in the history of the province, he says. It is not difficult to forecast what ministers are to go.

To begin with, Hon. Price Ellison will not be minister of finance and agriculture many days longer, if, indeed, he has not left his enforced resignation with the premier before he departed for his Vernon ranch by Saturday afternoon's boat, following his explanation which failed to say anything about the really crucial point, the trafficking of a minister of the crown in public property. It was as well for the minister's peace of mind that he did not hear the remarks of his fellow-members about the corridors after he had spoken on Saturday. There was but one opinion among the members, and that was that he should resign. It would not be surprising if Mr. Ellison was not a candidate at all in the coming fight.

Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of public works and minister of railways, it is understood, is also one of those who would be "disposed to relinquish office," and the lack of love between the provincial secretary and the attorney-general makes Hon. Dr. Young a third minister who is supposed to have "wishes" to be met. The senior colleague of the premier has never forgotten nor forgiven the manner in which the attorney-general seized the acting premiership out of his hands on more than one occasion.

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whether the changes can be made by the premier without his making a lot of trouble for himself among his followers. The "rubber stamps" have been showing a little restlessness this session, probably induced by the nervousness they feel at having to meet their constituents and explain a number of things the government has failed to do, and the innumerable promises it has not yet implemented.

For the portfolio vacated by Mr. Ellison the first name to suggest itself is that of the member for Cowichan, W. H. Hayward, late chairman of the royal commission on agriculture. Mr. Hayward would not be averse to accepting office, especially with the prospect of having to put into operation the agricultural credits policy. He will have strenuous rivalry for the office, however, from the member for Yale, Alex. Lucas, who has never quite forgiven the premier for not making him chairman of the royal commission, a little story which gave the member for Newcastle the occasion for some humorous references in his best style the other night.

There is some possibility, though, that the finance side of the portfolio may induce the premier to appoint some one who possesses financial ability, and in that case L. W. Shattford, of Similkameen, would be just the man. By his appointment the premier would be able to secure a new adviser as a sort of compromise between the other two, and at the same time he could justify it as a continuance of the representation of the southern interior in the cabinet.

The Kootenays have been receiving special consideration in the redistribution, and it would not be unfitting for them to claim some consideration in a cabinet shuffle. Thomas D. Caven, Cranbrook, is credited with thinking that he would not make a bad minister of railways, and, incidentally, of public works. H. B. Thomson, the general chief whip, has had cabinet ambitions for a long time, but has not seen them materialize. While others may wish to relinquish office he would willingly help his leader out by accepting one.

With the minister of education out there would be a demand from the north country for a minister, and all the more since that part of the province has developed greatly by the opening up of the Grand Trunk Pacific—an un-

dertaking which, let it not be forgotten, was hindered by the McBride government all it could—since Hon. Dr. Young took office eight years ago. Wm. Manson, of Skeena, will presumably be the government candidate in the new constituency of Prince Rupert, and no doubt he would be expected by his party friends up there to enter the cabinet if he got the chance.

There are reasons, for all that, why Mr. Manson might not be very anxious to step into anyone's shoes just now. He cannot forget that his last venture in the cabinet was in the same portfolio, that he entered it after a dissolution and that he was handsomely beaten in Alberta by a young man who was making his first entry into public life, the present leader of the Liberal party. It was his defeat at that time that gave Dr. Young his chance.

Were it not that Capt. W. W. Foster, member for the Islands, is with the Canadian Mounted Rifles, waiting for the word to leave, he might be a favored candidate for the public works portfolio. He is a young man, well liked, modest and unassuming, and having been deputy minister, would be admirably fitted to step into the place of his former chief. Another of the younger men is W. J. Manson, of Dewdney, the Adas Archates of the premier. He has been in the house for three parliaments and would not object to advancement after spending all that time as a quiet member who does not ask the house to listen to him much.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

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Lieut.-Col. Gregory, commanding Regimental orders, week ending March 12, 1915. Parades—Tuesday, 8 p. m., at headquarters, recruit drill; Wednesday, 8 p. m., at drill hall; manual exercise and battalion drill; Thursday, 8 p. m., at headquarters; ambulance corps. Recruits can sign on daily from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

By order
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BRIEF ORDER PAPER FOR THIS EVENING

Aldermen Will Have Routine
Business To-night; Civic
Meetings This Week

There is not much business before the meeting of the aldermen this evening, the principal matter being the confirmation of a list of streets published in the Times on Saturday, for the completion of local improvement work.

The monthly report on Sooko's water-works, and the monthly report of the fair weights officer will be in for consideration. An invitation has been extended the members for the opening of the Imperial Oil company's plant at Impeco, Burrard Inlet, on Wednesday. Some objections will be lodged against the sidewalk work already approved by council on an earlier occasion.

Tenders recommended for acceptance for fire hose and firemen's uniforms will be reported upon by the fire wardens. Renewal of the insurance against accident of the men will be recommended.

The chairman of the finance committee having referred at the last council meeting to a case for which the Jubilee hospital directors submitted a bill, and mentioned that there had been delay in forwarding the account, the other side of the story will be related in a statement from the board.

Beyond these matters, it is not expected that other than routine business will engage the attention of the council, for there are only some notices of motion in addition calling for attention.

To-morrow two meetings have been called in the morning, one to deal with the disposal of manure, the other a conference between the sewers committee of the city and Esquimalt. The former alludes to a subject which was taken up when the vacant lot garden scheme was warmly supported. As the utilization of manure for this purpose does not appear to be required in the immediate future, and warmer weather is approaching, it is necessary to determine some policy in the present month. The other affects the drainage of the Esquimalt sewerage into the northwest trunk sewer.

On Thursday afternoon there will be a meeting of the special committee looking into construction by-laws, with the fire wardens. Several matters will be taken up at that session.

The bugler wore a proud smile as he turned out on guard for the first time. "Have you learnt all the calls yet, my boy?" asked the officer encouragingly. "Nearly all, sir." "Do you know the sergeant's call?" "Yes, sir." "Do you know the assembly?" "Yes, sir." "And the fire alarm?" "N-no, sir." "H'm! Well, now, what would you sound it a fire should break out?" "Er, sir, 'lights out,' I suppose," he stammered.

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